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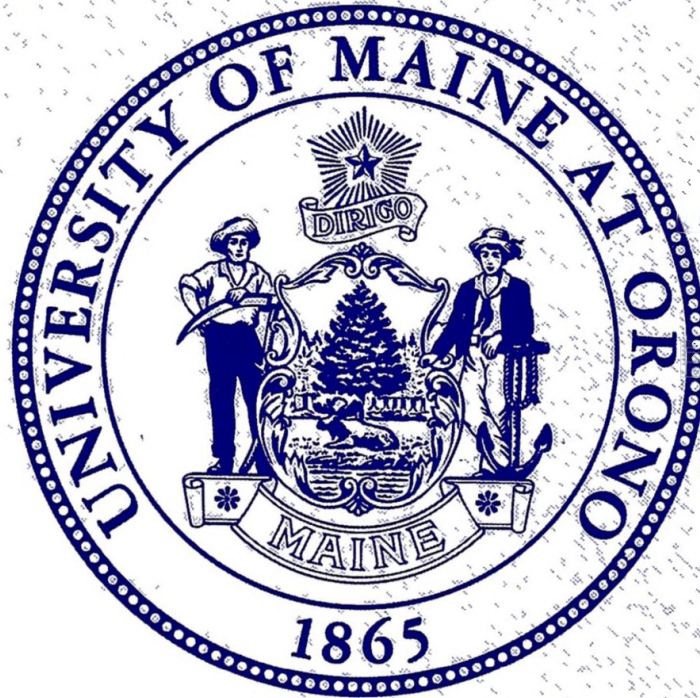
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*Mary Blaschke (left) explains her dissection technique to Mary Allen of the UMO Biochemistry department.*

## Student research project in microsurgery probes safety of small surgical clips

Research work done by a 1978 UMO graduate as a senior Honors Project has provided valuable information about the safety of small surgical clips used in the field of microsurgery, with the results being published in the December, 1978, issue of the *Journal of the Maine Medical Association*.

Mary J.C. Blaschke, who received her B.S. with highest honors and distinction in biochemistry last May, began the project between her junior and senior years and carried the work out as a senior, according to her advisor, James Huston, Ph.D., of the UMO Biochemistry department, who served as liaison on the project. "We got in touch with Dr. Carroll P. Osgood on the staff of neurosurgery at Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor," relates Dr. Huston. "His major interest is microsurgery, which is an area of neurosurgery which is only three or four years old. The surgeon works under a microscope and can maintain eye/hand coordination under very high magnification.

"The most currently applicable microsurgical operation involves by-pass surgery for the

brain, just as with coronary by-pass surgery. In the brain it is used in situations of imminent stroke when blood flow has started to decrease to certain areas of the brain," Dr. Huston says, noting that this type of operation was recently performed on Boston Pops conductor Arthur Fiedler. "Microsurgeons can now take blood vessels from the scalp, which has a large blood supply that's not particularly needed, and move those blood vessels to the inner arteries of the brain, join the new vessels together and replenish the supply of blood to the brain.

"During the course of the surgery, the blood vessels concerned have to be closed off, which is called 'temporary occlusion.' What's important is that when the surgeon removes these microvascular clips which close off the vessel, there shouldn't be any damage to the inner surfaces, because such damage generates blood clots and eliminates any possible benefit from the surgery. The best way to deal with this problem is to prevent it and be confident of the value of the microvascular clip being used."

Dr. Huston helped get facilities for Mary to work with at the University. In particular, he

says, Prof. Harold Gibbs of Animal and Veterinary Sciences was very generous in making his operating room available. In order to test the variety of microvascular clips which were available on the market, Mary and Dr. Osgood used a rat carotid artery, which is about the same diameter as a human blood vessel. During the forty minutes which would normally be used for surgery, they temporarily closed off these arteries with the clips, then would excise that section, wash it, treat it chemically, and examine it under a scanning electron microscope.

"What they saw was quite striking," says Dr. Huston. "After looking at these vascular surfaces, they found that all but one of the clips did at least some damage to the surface. The only clip which didn't cause any damage was one which was designed by two plastic surgeons. Even before she finished her honors thesis, Mary presented her work to the head of neurosurgery at Massachusetts General Hospital, who was in Bangor consulting at EMMC. It turned out that by chance they had been using these same clips and their success rate was any-



where from five to ten times better than anyone else's in the country. Subsequently Dr. Osgood presented this research at the World Congress of Microsurgery in San Francisco, where it was well received."

Dr. Huston pointed out that Mary did all the scanning electron microscopy herself, which in itself was a difficult undertaking, and he felt that the work she did (combined with an earlier study on hypertension) would probably be equivalent to the work required for a master's thesis. "Her project was probably typical of Honors Projects in general," he says. "You ask a very specific question, followed by a well defined sequence of experiments. These students are so hard working and able that they usually get results."

Articles on the Honors Program from the perspective of both professors and students are part of a special section on "Quality of Education" at UMO which appears in this issue of the *Alumnus*.

## Alumni clubs take active part in recruiting

Alumni clubs throughout New England are taking an active role in undergraduate recruitment

by hosting "Off to Maine" receptions designed to welcome prospective students and their parents into the UMO family. Working from a list supplied by the Admissions Office, the alumni clubs invite students who have been accepted at Maine (but who have not yet made their final decision) to attend a dinner meeting.

The receptions typically start with a social hour which allows students and their parents to meet with UMO alumni, students, faculty and administrators in an informal atmosphere and talk about the opportunities available at the University. After dinner, members of the Student Alumni Association present a program entitled "Introduction to UMO," which is aimed at the prospective student and discusses aspects of campus life such as extracurricular activities, intra-mural sports, the Greek system, dormitory life and service organizations. Administrators from Academic Affairs, Financial Aid, and Residential Life follow up with a discussion of classes, finances, and available housing. Finally, a question and answer period enables parents and students to bring up individual concerns with UMO representatives.

Pioneered by the Androscoggin Valley Alumnae and Alumni Associations, the "Off to Maine" program last year involved eight alumni clubs and nearly 20% of the incoming freshman class. In response to the increasing desire of the UMO Admissions Office for alumni support and at the special request of UMO President Howard Neville, this year's program is ex-

pected to include better than 30% of the freshman class.

Because alumni can speak from experience, they are instrumental in reassuring parents that the University is a good place to get an education which can lead to a successful career, says Nancy Dysart '60 of the General Alumni Association, which sponsors the "Off to Maine" receptions in cooperation with the alumni clubs. "As the number of eligible high school students decreases in the years ahead and the competition to recruit these students increases," she says, "the need for additional alumni support of the program will become very important to the future of the University."

The "Off to Maine" gatherings are an enjoyable way for alumni to help, she says, adding, "we hope to eventually expand the program to the entire country and we'll be depending heavily on alumni participation to make it go."

## Milner replaces Stewart as editor

With this issue, Craig Milner assumes editorship of the *Maine Alumnus*, and Don Stewart '35, who is retiring, will hopefully be able to find more time for fishing and sailing in his busy schedule.

In announcing Milner's appointment, Executive Director Les Nadeau '59 thanked Stewart



## President Neville resigns to accept presidency of Alfred University

As this issue of the *Alumnus* was going to press in March, President Howard R. Neville announced that he will leave UMO late this summer to become the twelfth president of Alfred University in New York State.

The Oklahoma native came to UMO in 1973, having previously served as executive vice-president at the University of Nebraska and earlier as president of Claremont Men's College.

Alfred University, located in upstate New York, is primarily a liberal arts and engineering school with an enrollment of approximately 2,000 students. It has a reputation for providing an excellent education for its students.

This story will be covered in more detail in the next issue of the *Alumnus*.

*President Neville addressing a Student Alumni Association banquet in February.*



for his continuing support of the General Alumni Association, which publishes the *Alumnus*, and of the University. Stewart had previously served as Executive Director of the GAA from 1968 to 1973 and had also been director of the Annual Alumni Fund. He was associated for many years with publishing houses in Boston and New York.

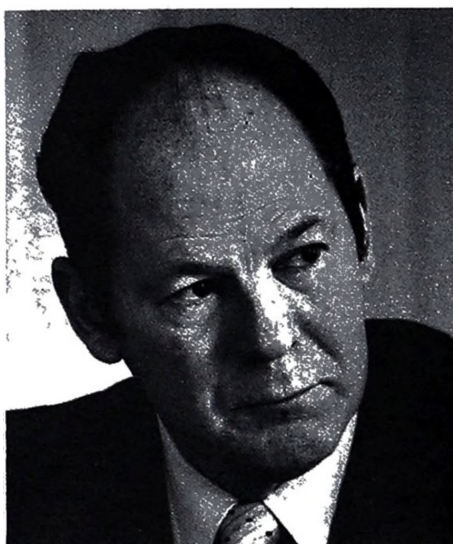
Milner, a native of Worcester, Mass., has been involved in journalism and communications in Maine since 1971, having previously worked for the University as a staff photographer for the Maine Public Broadcasting Network. For the past five years he has been a newspaper reporter, photo editor, free lance writer and photojournalist in the Ellsworth area. A graduate of Brown University, his work has appeared in such national publications as *TIME*, the *New York Times*, and *Maine Business* magazine.

## Baughman selected for top development post

Turning an abandoned waterfront factory into a major new medical center is one of the accomplishments of an experienced fundraiser who

has been selected as the new director of development and university relations at UMO.

George H. Baughman, Jr., of East Windsor, N.J. was approved by the Board of Trustees at the end of January, filling the vacancy created in November when Dr. Alan Stone resigned to assume the presidency of Aurora College in Illinois.



Baughman, 56, is currently vice president for development of the Lutheran Medical Center in Brooklyn, N.Y., and was instrumental in the selection of the waterfront site some ten blocks away from the original medical facility. The funding campaign he directed resulted in con-

struction of a \$58 million facility along with a \$23 million housing complex.

Prior to his present position, which he has held since 1968, he was coordinator of electrical engineering students, manager of the Office of Development, and director of development and alumni affairs at Drexel University in Philadelphia. He later served as vice president for development and public relations at the Medical College of Pennsylvania.

A native of Phoenixville, Pa., Baughman obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in commerce and engineering from Drexel University, and earned a Master of Business Administration degree from New York University. He has done graduate work in public administration and in 1976 was a Fellow of the National Association for Hospital Development. Married with three children, Baughman and his family have a summer home at Deer Isle.

## Olympia Snowe '69 wins race for U.S. Congress



In her first attempt at winning a major political office, Republican candidate Olympia J. Snowe '69 topped the list of UMO graduates to win in the November elections when she defeated former Secretary of State Mark Gortley in the race for U.S. Representative from Maine's Second District.

Mrs. Snowe, who has a degree in political science, was elected to the Maine House of Representatives in 1973 in a special election following the death of her husband, Peter, who had held the seat representing Auburn. In 1976, she ran successfully for the State Senate and represented Auburn and the towns of Mechanic Falls, Poland, and Hebron.

Her campaign included walking tours of the district, and several political writers credited her win to "hard work and strict attention to issues."

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## Spring phonathons spark 2nd half fund drive

With seven phonathons scheduled in the months ahead, volunteers will be calling alumni in Maine and throughout the country to ask for their support as the Annual Alumni Fund enters the second half of its campaign. The 1978-79 Fund is currently about \$42,000 ahead of the same time last year, and National Campaign Chairman Torrey A. Sylvester '59 of Houlton hopes the phonathons will help put the Fund over the top before the June 30th deadline.

Many businesses have also lent their support to the campaign by providing facilities and use of telephones for the phonathons, which are scheduled as follows: Augusta area on Feb. 27-28 (Depositor's Trust Co. of Augusta, alumni contact: Carlton McGary '50); greater Bangor on March 13, 14, and 15 (Depositor's Trust Co. of Bangor, alumni contact: Jim Mullen '72); Auburn area on March 20 and 21 (Mid-Maine Mutual Savings Bank of Auburn, alumni contact: Ralph "Woody" Hodgkins '59); southern Maine (Casco Bank of Portland, alumni contacts: Dan Keneborus '68 and Gordon Erikson, Jr. '70G); nationwide on April 25 and 26 (Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., Inc. of Boston, alumni contact: Tom Sezak '59); greater Bangor on May 1, 2, and 3 (Merrill Trust Co. of Bangor, contact: Bill Demaso, friend); and nationwide on May 8 and 9 (Raytheon of Portsmouth, R.I., alumni contact: Ralph Martin '52).

The number of contributors to the Annual Alumni Fund is considerably ahead of last year, and GAA Fund Director Bob Holmes, '70G feels that with continued strong support from the alumni between now and June 30th, the Alumni Association should be able to reach its goal and make another large payment toward its \$400,000 pledge for the Performing Arts Center.



*Athletics director Harold Westerman with Sam and Ethel Sezak.*

## Sam Sezak honored by graduate "M" club and friends

Sam Sezak, who has given 40 years of his life to University of Maine at Orono athletics in almost every conceivable capacity, was honored by his friends at a reception and dinner sponsored by the UMO Graduate "M" Club Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Oronoka Restaurant in Orono.

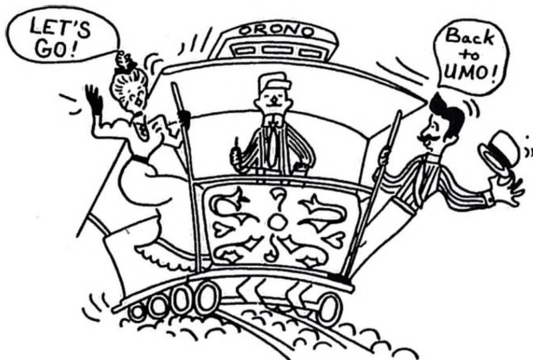
A 1931 graduate of UMO where he played both football and baseball, Sezak began a career of coaching at Machias High School when he led the Machias school's football team to a winning campaign. Through the years he was to coach seven different sports at the high school and collegiate level, compiling an amazing career record of 472 wins, 186 defeats and 11 ties.

Appointed to the faculty of UMO in 1939, Sezak coached the varsity football and basketball teams as well as freshman and jayvee football and baseball teams. He also served as assis-

tant faculty manager of athletics and retired as professor of physical education and athletics in 1971.

Now professor-emeritus of physical education, Sezak continues his efforts to benefit UMO athletic programs, even while officially retired, by spearheading the fund-raising activities of the Black Bear Hall of Fame and "200" groups, dedicated to providing money for non-need athletic scholarships; and by serving as chairman of the membership committee of the Graduate "M" Club.

Over 150 people braved a snowstorm to attend, and among the gifts presented to Sam and his wife Ethel by the "M" Club and friends were a trip to Florida and tickets to California for the Sezaks to attend the upcoming Riverside invitational baseball tournament.



**Why go back?** For most of us it's because we love the University and what it represents. The spirit and the soul of UMO comes from the interplay of people and ideas in a setting of lawns, trees, playing fields and buildings. All of these remain essentially unaltered by the years that have passed since we left as a class.

All of us will be coming "home" and it will be fun . . . fun because others who share our personal experiences will be there too. Call it nostalgia. Call it what you will. But do plan to come back!

## REUNION '79

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REUNING CLASSES: Senior Alumni, 1932, 1934, 1939,

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## WILDFIRE LOOSE

### The Week Maine Burned

by Joyce Butler

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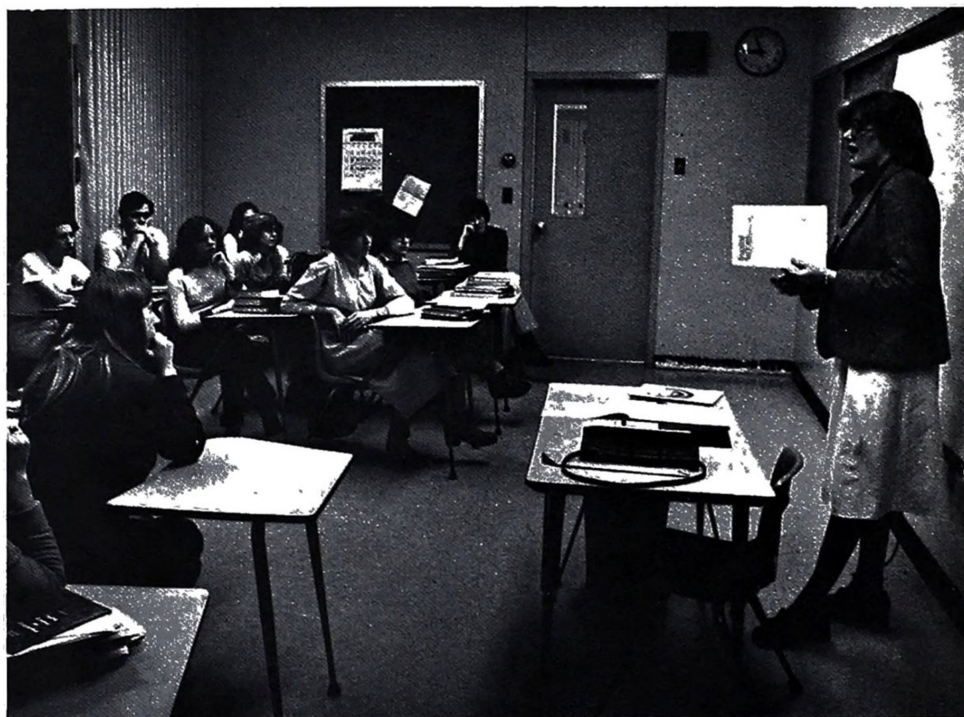
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Barbara Huff '79 speaks to students at Nokomis High School.

## Student Ambassadors: vacations are a time for recruiting

How do UMO students spend their free time during winter vacation? For twenty-five members of the Student Alumni Association (SAA), winter "vacation" meant service to the University and their local communities by visiting high schools as "Student Ambassadors" and talking to potential undergraduates about college life, especially life at UMO.

Preparation for the program began last September after eight members of SAA and their advisor, Nancy Dysart '60 of the General Alumni Association, returned from the National Student Alumni Association conference in Bowling Green, Ohio. It was at this conference that the students first heard of the Student Ambassador program at other schools and began making plans to institute a similar program at UMO.

An intensive, three-week orientation period followed, during which Student Alumni Association members met with representatives from Admissions, Financial Aid, Student Affairs and Student Activities offices. Every effort was made to be sure Student Ambassadors were fully prepared to present the information and answer the questions which are of greatest concern to prospective college students.

With advice and encouragement from the Admissions Office, the groundwork was laid. Letters to local high school guidance counselors explained that, with the motto of "Students Helping Students—Past, Present and Future," members of the Student Alumni Association were available during January to visit local high schools and relate their personal college experience to interested juniors and seniors.

Response to this pilot program has been overwhelmingly enthusiastic. As of February 1, twenty-five "Student Ambassadors" have visited twenty local high schools and talked to more than 500 juniors and seniors. Requests have already been received from high school guidance counselors asking the Student Alumni Association to include them next year.

"With this program," says advisor Nancy Dysart, "the Student Ambassadors hope to present the information and to answer the questions which are of greatest concern to prospective college students. In an age when many of us tend to underestimate the integrity of our young people, it's nice to know that UMO students still take care and are eager to help."

## BCC Dean Carlson will return to teaching

Dr. Constance H. Carlson, first woman dean of an academic division at the University of Maine at Orono, has resigned as dean of UMO's Bangor Community College, effective Aug. 31, 1979, to return to teaching.

The announcement was made in December by UMO President Howard R. Neville. A search committee will be named to choose a successor to Dean Carlson, who was named BCC's first

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# SPORTS

## UMO Basketball: reaching for the Big Time

by Greg Betts '80

Even though they fell short of victory on the court, the University of Maine at Orono's basketball team came out big winners Jan. 5 against the Marquette Warriors. In their 55-46 loss to the Milwaukee-based club, Maine showed a great deal of poise and proved they could stay close to a Top Twenty team as well as getting great support from the local fans who flocked to Portland's Cumberland County Civic Center to witness the biggest basketball game in State of Maine history.

Coach Skip Chappelle, though not happy with the way his team played at times against Marquette, was pleased with every other aspect of the event. "A loss is a loss but at least we didn't get beat up on," said the veteran Black Bear skipper. "We've had some really good practices since the Marquette game and the players' attitudes are good which means we haven't gotten down on ourselves. We really beat ourselves with all the turnovers we committed, but if we can find some way to cut them out, there's no telling how good we can be."

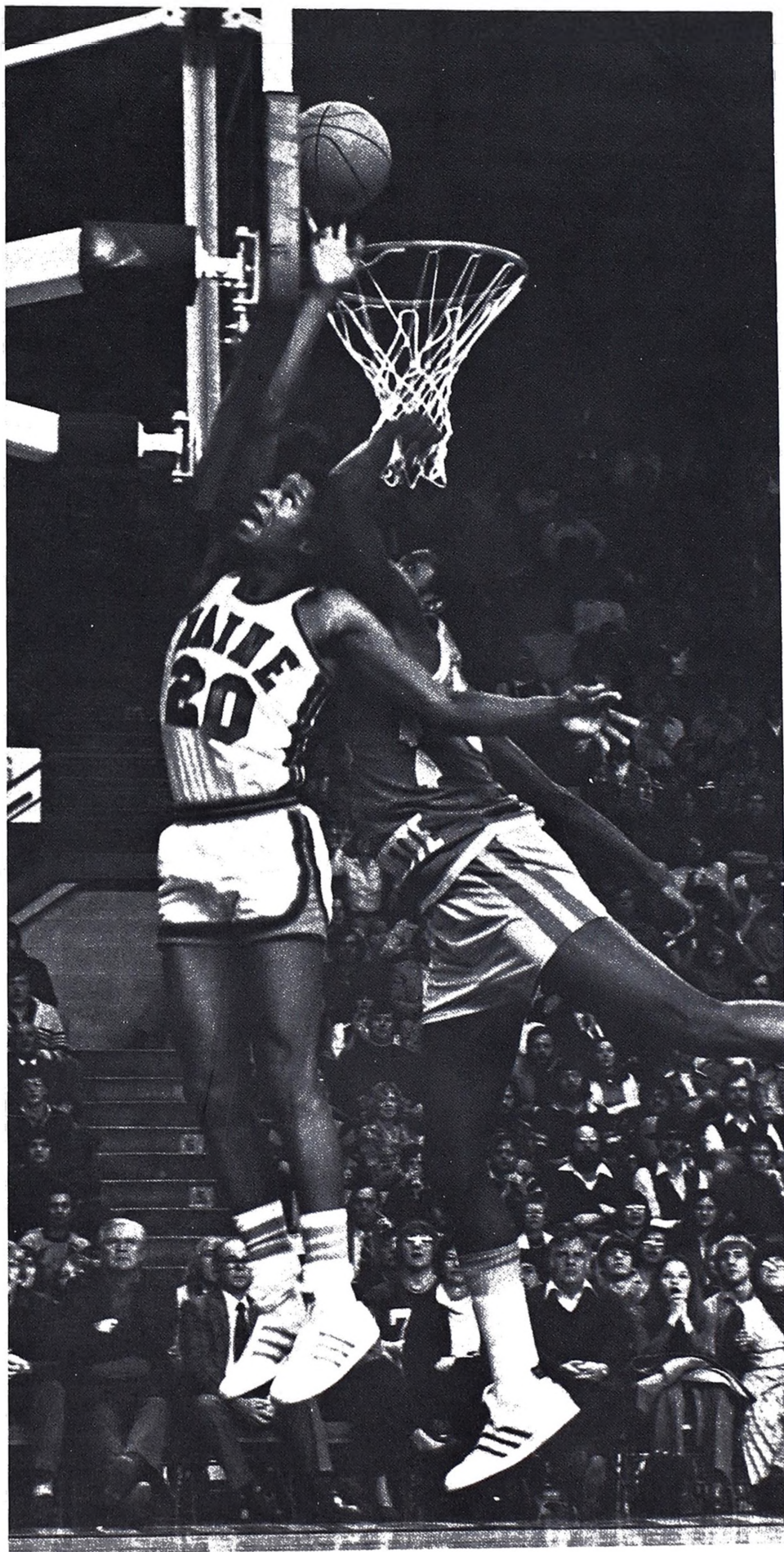
The crowd of 7750 in attendance at the Civic Center was the largest ever to witness a basketball game in the state and Chappelle was encouraged by that fact. "The big thing was the whole atmosphere of the place and the enthusiasm of the fans," said Chappelle. "The entire production was first class. And by some of the comments our players made after the game, I know they enjoyed playing there and would like to go against more teams like Marquette in the future."

One of the main reasons Maine officials took the gamble of playing a powerhouse like Marquette was the effect it would have on their recruiting program. Chappelle explained that if you can approach a high school star with the promise of playing against a national contender as a freshman, you've got a much better chance of getting him to attend your school. This will hopefully make up for the lack of athletic scholarships that Maine has to offer its recruits.

"I think there's a future in Portland for UMO basketball, if not for at least one game a year," said Chappelle. "We are scheduled to play South Carolina next year in Portland and I've seen in print other names like North Carolina as possibilities. This is certainly a major step forward for our program."

If the Marquette game was any indication of what is to come, then basketball fans in the Pine Tree State can eagerly look forward to seeing more big-time schools play against the Black Bears in the future.

*(Maine finished the season with a respectable 14-10 record - Ed.)*



JACK WALAS / PICS





**MAINE SCORES!** Season high scorer Gary Conn rejoices after Maine scored on Salem State's goalie Jay Palladino during the second game of the ECAC Division Two playoffs at Alford Arena in Orono. Maine finished the regular season with an outstanding record of 25-8-1 (17-5 in Division Two) and was

seeded number one. Maine defeated AIC in the first game of the playoffs, but was eliminated by Salem State by a score of 7-4. The Bears begin competing in Division One next season.

## Baseball Bears defend Riverside title in California

The UMO Black Bears open their 1979 baseball season by defending their championship in the 14th annual California Riverside National Intercollegiate Baseball Tournament on March 26 at Riverside, California.

Coach John Winkin's talented squad returns with many of last year's outstanding players, including rifle-armed catcher Mark Armstrong, designated hitter Ed Mitchell, center fielder Frank Watson and ace pitcher John Dixon. The Black Bears also have some promising freshmen additions to the team, including southpaw John Balerna and shortstop Peter Adams.

As one of the most prestigious baseball tournaments in the country, topped only by the College World Series, Riverside is an annual pre-season showcase of some of the finest teams in the nation. Maine will be joined by eastern teams from Indiana, Oral Roberts, and Army, which is making its Riverside debut. Teams from the West will include host UC-Riverside, Brigham Young, Oregon, and first-time participant Seattle University.

Last year Maine defeated Oral Roberts 5-4 to become the first eastern team ever to capture the title, and Tournament Director Don Edwards feels this year's event should again be "an exceptional one."

Many alumni are expected to attend, with a planeload of supporters flying in from Maine

for the occasion. Special alumni gatherings are also scheduled, including a New England clam-bake at Riverside for alumni from the Los Angeles area on March 23, and alumni club meetings in San Francisco on March 24, in San

Diego on March 28, and in Honolulu, Hawaii on March 30. Jack Blake, UMO Vice President for Finance and Administration, will represent both the University and the General Alumni Association at these meetings.

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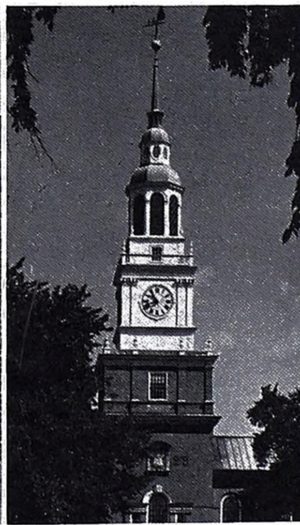
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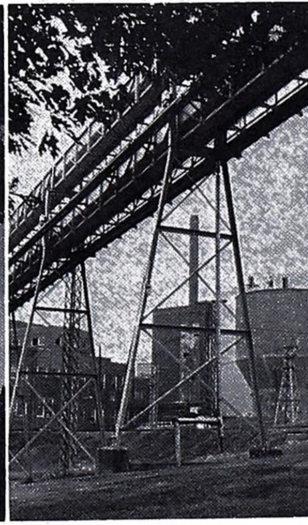
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# QUALITY OF EDUCATION

Introduction by Howard R. Neville, President

Some time ago we set our sights on becoming the highest quality public institution in the northeast. We are moving steadily toward that goal and can now say with regard to an increasing number of areas in our University that we do, in fact, offer students the finest public educational opportunity available in New England. At the same time, as we continue our pursuit of academic excellence, we must continually review and strengthen our commitment to respect and assist the individual student, and to maintain the atmosphere of caring which is such an important part of UMO.

We are a community. Unlike most other communities, however, our University is united by one single over-arching goal, namely the advancement, the sharing and the support of the ongoing human effort to understand more fully ourselves and our world. The several articles that follow each reflect important parts of that overall drive towards excellence as well as continuing attention to the needs of the individual student.

Dwight Rideout, the first contributor, is our Dean of Students and has been chairing the Maine Scholars Day Committee for the last two years. Maine Scholars Day is an effort, supported by private Maine business and industry, to bring some of the best high school juniors in our State onto campus to compete for scholarships, to attend lectures, to experience dormitory life, and, in short, to get a sense of our institution. It is our hope that through this effort an increasing number of qualified Maine students will respond to the challenges of higher education.

Jim Harmon, our Admissions Director, whom I suspect many of you met as the first emissary of our University, writes about our recent successes in attracting National Merit Scholars, more of whom attend UMO than any other public institution in New England. We are particularly proud of this accomplishment because these students who rank in the top one-half of one percent of the nation's high school seniors could go to any institution in this country. The fact that they choose

Orono is a continuing confirmation of the quality of our University.

The third contributor, Professor Charles (Skip) Smith of our Physics Department, our 1978 Distinguished Maine Professor, writes about the Living/ Learning Center. This is a joint effort of faculty and students to enhance the learning experience at UMO. In a time when we hear increasing concerns about the depersonalization of universities, this program and other efforts on campus are specifically intended to overcome the distance which can often separate faculty and students.

Our Honors Program is the oldest in the country, and Dr. Sam Schuman, director of the program, suggests some of the many ways in which this well-established initiative makes its contribution both to academic excellence and to maintaining an individualized learning experience at UMO. In a related essay, Professor Ruth Nadelhaft of Bangor Community College expresses the motivations of our many

dedicated faculty members who participate, often on an overload basis, in the Honors Program. Also, UMO students Lance Conklin, Linda Robertson and Ben Zeichick tell how the Honors Program has enriched their education at Orono.

Win Pullen is well known to many of you. He is the associate Dean of the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture. For years he has represented the care, concern and support which is available within our academic offices. In this issue Win explains the philosophy of the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture in its efforts to identify and reward outstanding student performance. Happily, such efforts at recognizing student achievement are reflected in many other parts of the University community.

Finally, Executive Director Stan Marshall tells how the University of Maine Pulp and Paper Foundation simultaneously supports both the faculty in sophisticated research projects and students as they explore potentials for a career. This represents, I think, the continuing positive relationship of fundamental research and teaching.

Of course, the observations which follow are only a sampling. Many others could come forward to tell of equally important initiatives. I hope that you will read these articles somewhat in a spirit of viewing a collage; each represents isolated diverse facets of an integrated university community, which together make possible that unique blend of excellence and caring which is the University of Maine at Orono.

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## Getting acquainted with the University at Maine Scholars Day

by Dwight Rideout, Dean of Students

Last May, five hundred twenty-nine of our state's top-ranking high school juniors from Maine's public and private secondary schools attended a new and innovative program — Maine Scholars Day. This program was designed to acquaint outstanding Maine high school juniors with the excitement and challenge of higher education in general, and the University of Maine in particular, with the goal of attracting a higher percentage of academically gifted students to our campus.

The planning for this program was initiated early in the fall of 1977 when President Howard R. Neville charged a select committee to plan and implement the first annual Maine Scholars Day. The culmina-

tion of this planning was a two-day program during which high school juniors had an opportunity to attend and to participate in special interest programs, demonstrations, and seminars led by some of our outstanding research and teaching faculty. Visits to laboratories and other facilities as well as opportunities to interact with over 80 faculty and professional staff were major elements of the program. UMO student leaders were available to orient the visiting students and respond to their questions.

Students who attended Maine Scholars Day were recommended by guidance counselors from across the state. Each high school was provided with a numerical



quota based upon the size of the school's junior class (one delegate per forty members). This procedure insured that each high school would have at least one delegate while the larger high schools were allotted up to fourteen delegates. The counselors were requested to select juniors who had a proven record of academic excellence as exhibited by grades, test scores, recognition for special achievement, and teacher recommendation.

On the morning of Monday, May 22, the more than five hundred high school

participants in the evening to attend a variety of social and athletic activities. A semi-professional student group from the School of Performing Arts staged a special dance performance which was presented to a full house in Hauck Auditorium.

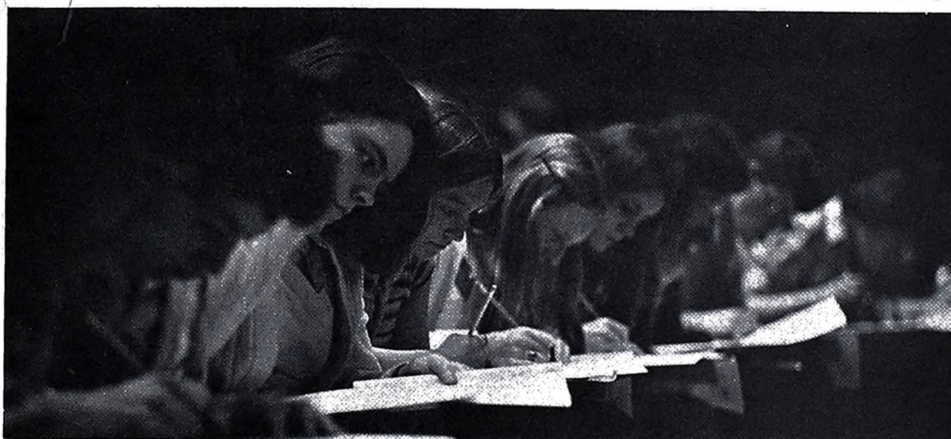
Funding for Maine Scholars Day was the responsibility of the Development Office, which agreed to raise \$25,000 to finance the program expenses and scholarship awards. Nearly 70 patrons, sustainers, and contributors representing private businesses and financial institutions throughout the state made the pro-

gram possible. Program costs were also defrayed through a nominal registration fee paid by the student or the high school.

Certain facts about MSD registrants became immediately clear, on the basis of a participants' questionnaire: 98.7% of the respondents planned to pursue higher education, 83.8% attended the program to learn more about specific areas of academic interest and 81.4% attended specifically to learn more about UMO.

Although these results alone are not conclusive, when they are combined with the positive feedback received from media reports, guidance counselors, and information gathered by the questionnaire, projections for a high level of program success are excellent.

Due to the outstanding success of MSD '78 the President has expanded all of the 1978 awards to four-year scholarships, and planning is already underway for a bigger and better program for 1979. President Neville has endorsed the concept of expanding the Maine Scholars Day program to include five full-tuition scholarships, ten half-tuition scholarships, and fifty \$200 scholarships. Of great significance is that the scholarships will be continued through eight semesters as long as the student maintains a 3.0 grade point average. Hopefully, the availability of these scholarships will serve as an incentive to increase the student's awareness of the outstanding academic offerings at UMO and enable a greater number of our native sons and daughters to attend this fine University.



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juniors arrived at UMO. After registration and assignment to dormitory rooms, the students were welcomed to the campus by President Neville. One of the most important aspects of the program was the opportunity to take a scholarship awards examination. On the basis of the test results, 110 privately-funded no-need scholarships (eighty-nine \$100 scholarships, thirteen \$200 scholarships, and eight \$500 scholarships) were awarded to students on the condition that they enroll at the University of Maine at Orono in the fall of 1979. The scholarship winners were promised admission to our freshman class in September 1979.

After participating in the scholarship testing the students attended selected special interest programs. Each high school junior registered to participate in five 90-minute programs or as many as nine 45-minute programs which were selected from the seventy-five programs and tours offered. The diversity of the University's academic offerings is illustrated through this sampling of program and tour topics: Computers with Dirty Hands; Gene Splicing and the Artificial Creation of Life; Ice Ages and the Antarctic; From Absolute Zero to Omega Minus — Physics for Today; Performing Arts Tours — Music, Radio, Theatre, and Dance; and Professional Education and Human Services.

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## Finding quality students through the National Merit Program

by James Harmon, Director of Admissions

One excellent source of outstanding high school students throughout the U.S. is the National Merit Program administered each year by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, a non-profit organization established in 1955 to conduct an annual nationwide competition for high school students.

Competition for Merit Awards begins with high school juniors taking the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (administered by the College Entrance Examination Board). About 15,000 each year, from over one million participants, are selected as National Merit Semi-finalists. The honored students then complete the Scholastic Aptitude Test in the fall of the senior year and finalists are selected for possible scholarships.

Students compete within their own states. The selected Semifinalists represent less than half of one percent of each

state's secondary school seniors. The number named in each state is proportionate to the state's percentage of the nation's high school graduating class; therefore, the qualifying scores required for semifinalist standing vary slightly from state to state. To become a Finalist, Semifinalists must also be fully endorsed and recommended by their school principals, and must present school records that confirm high academic standing.

A National Merit Finalist may be awarded one of three types of scholarships offered. First are National Merit \$1,000 Scholarships. These are one-time awards underwritten by grants from business and industrial organizations on a regular basis. About 1000 of these awards are made each year. Second are corporate-sponsored four-year Merit Scholarships. About 1400 winners of these renewable awards are named each year. Selected winners must



meet preferential criteria designated by the grantors. (Many corporations and business organizations specify that the four-year scholarships they support be awarded to Finalists who are children of company employees, who reside in communities where the company has facilities, or who have particular career goals.) Finally there are college-sponsored four-year Merit Scholarships. An additional 1700 renewable awards are offered each year with the stipulation that winners must use them at the four-year sponsoring college or university within the United States. (The University of Maine at Orono is among the colleges and universities that offer such scholarships. Only Finalists who plan to attend a sponsoring institution are considered for one of these scholarships and these winners are chosen by officials of the college.)

Early each fall we receive the names and schools of approximately 15,000 Semifinalists. The listing this year included 85 Maine Semifinalists. Each year the Director of Admissions writes to each Maine Finalist, and to another 450-500 Finalists in other states usually to students in schools throughout the eastern states that have over the years sent a number of students to UMO. In addition to congratulating the student, we explain that UMO must be named as first-choice college in order to qualify for one of our sponsored scholarships. We also explain to the student that such a choice will not eliminate them from consideration for a national or corporate-sponsored award. Additional correspondence and personal calls are used to follow our letter.

This procedure allows us to identify many students with outstanding potential for college achievement early on, and UMO has been very successful in convincing National Merit Scholars to choose Maine as the place to spend their college years. At the present time, we have 36 National Merit Scholars enrolled. This is the highest number of any of the New England State Universities, and exceeds the number enrolled in any other Maine college.

The majority of our Scholars are enrolled in our Honors Program which is designed to enrich the undergraduate experience of outstanding students, and we look to the National Merit Scholars Program as one way to ensure that UMO will continue to attract students of the highest quality in the years to come.

## Living/Learning: studies in a real-life atmosphere

by Prof. Charles Smith

We started the Living/Learning Program with just an idea. The University already offered a variety of living styles such as dormitories, fraternities and apartments, and it offered different learning environments ranging from the lecture hall to the one-to-one situation found in Honors and on the graduate level. But nowhere did the University offer a living style that combined the student's classroom education with his or her living experience. This positive living and learning atmosphere is what we wanted to create.

It began about three years ago as a discussion topic among several faculty members (including Elaine Gershman, Burt Hatlen, Steve Weber and myself) and interested students, and was a spin-off of an Arts and Sciences College self-study project. We discussed various aspects of such a program off and on for about a year and decided that it was worthwhile pursuing, that a program of this type could substantially improve the quality of a student's experience at UMO.

Because we had no location in which to focus the program we had to solicit interest to find out where we would be welcome. We spoke at many dormitory complexes, following up our discussions with an opinion survey. The Stewart Complex (which includes Cumberland, Gannett and Androscoggin Halls) seemed to register the most interest, and it was there about two years ago this fall that the Living/Learning Program was located.

The first floor of Cumberland is the Living/Learning floor, and we try to concentrate those participating in the program on that floor to emphasize the living aspect of the program. These students usually have courses in common, and in addition office hours are held on that floor in various student rooms so they will have faculty members more available to them. Of the hundred and twenty people in the program, about sixty live on the first floor Cumberland with the rest being housed in other areas.

The major structural strength of the Living/Learning program is that it takes courses that are already in the University catalog and offers them in a different set-

ting. That does two things that are very fundamental. For one, the courses can be used by the student in the usual way within his program of study. He doesn't have to get special permission from his advisor, chairman, or dean to take them. The student knows where they fit, the administration knows where they fit, and there's no question about whether a course does or does not satisfy a curriculum requirement. Secondly, faculty members who are involved in the Living/Learning Program don't have to work on an overload basis. The fraction of their teaching load which would normally go to teaching a certain course stays the same. This means the faculty members don't have to make continual sacrifices of time to participate in the program. It means just doing what you're doing now, but in a different atmosphere and learning situation, with different dynamics between professor and student. I think these two things make our program very practical and easy to implement within existing constraints.

Beyond the regular weekly class meetings, there are two other important situations in which faculty and students meet. One is the Living/Learning Program office hour. Every faculty member teaching in the program has at least one office hour in the Living/Learning area. It might be in a dormitory lounge, in a student room, or in the Stewart Complex dining area. The professor is available for informal discussion and questions. Sometimes these discussions are personal, for example when students are having trouble meeting course goals because of specific problems and specific questions. Other times we might get into discussions we wouldn't ordinarily have time for in class. In many cases, office hours are held in the evening when students have no other scheduled commitments. The second situation in which students and faculty meet is at social events: volleyball games, breakfasts, special holiday dinners, and an every-other-month banquet. These help us get to know each other as people.

We operate on a first name basis, although we don't try to be "buddies." We have different lives; they're students with



certain goals and responsibilities and we're faculty with our own goals and responsibilities. It's informal within limits. The students know that I am not only the teacher, but I must also play the role of evaluator at the end of the course. The authority is there and we all recognize it, but we interact on a person to person basis. This means I can also guide the students in ways that are much more dynamic, because I can start to ask personal questions like "Are you investing your time here, or are you merely spending it? How can I help? What is important to you about this course?"

When I present information in class, learning seems to progress at a rapid rate if there can be a good interchange between the teacher and the learner. The student should be able to ask questions and have the teacher answer, and vice versa. Both should be able to admit that

the situations in which we teach are much like a relaxing home environment, with carpeted floors and pictures on the walls. Many times the class begins on the hour and ends only when everyone has had their questions answered. It's a good atmosphere for learning. The communications are better, and the professor can detect when the students are having problems much earlier than he could otherwise. In a lecture situation I can't necessarily detect it from a puzzled expression or a bad attendance record, but when you're sitting comfortably in an informal setting, you can pinpoint difficulties and you can do something about them. You become personally involved.

Teaching becomes much more effective. I teach the introductory physics course for all science and engineering students and I have two physics problem recitation sections in the Living/Learning

members I know have said it's the best teaching experience in their careers, and some have been teaching for fifteen to twenty years.

The reaction of the students is also very positive. They understand that the faculty really cares, and they feel a sense of fairness about how grades were assigned.

The difference between this program and the Honors Program is that the goals are different, the structure is entirely different, and the participation is different. There is no grade requirement to participate in the Living/Learning Program, there are no special course designations, and there is nothing on the diploma to indicate that the student has participated. The Living/Learning Program is a voluntary supplement to the student's usual course sequence and an alternative learning situation.

In the real world, you get a job and you spend a major portion of your life in a living and learning situation. You have to deal with things and with people and not only function, but also learn in that situation. In a way, Living/Learning is an opportunity for faculty and students to get together in a real life atmosphere, and I think it falls on the shoulders of the University to try these kinds of new ideas in learning.

This has been an experiment, but not an irresponsible try at something vague. It has been carefully thought out and adjusted as we've gone along. Faculty and student opinion have played a major role in shaping what we do and how we go about doing it. I think that what is truly experimental about it is the way we began, with just the idea that here was something that the students of the University of Maine could experience if they wanted to, and we built from that point on our strengths: good faculty, cooperative administration and a mature student input.

The future of the program will be determined jointly by the students and the faculty, which, to me is the exciting thing about it. We want to convince the students that this is *their* program, and we want it to go where they want it to go. They should lead it into the areas they find most useful, both in content and style. We are really starting to see the students becoming interested and taking a leadership part. Student participation is the process. If Living/Learning succeeds, it will be because the students consider it valuable to them, and I feel that is the way it should be.



*Professor Smith discusses a physics problem with Pat Schreiber '80.*

they don't know what is going on, or that they have different opinions. Any time when this interchange is interrupted, learning becomes inefficient. The student may miss points entirely or have to pick them up outside the course. What we have tried to create is an atmosphere in which the professor and the students are working together at learning, and we encourage a lot of discussion. Students can respond immediately, or they can sit back and think about it, and then respond. This just can't be done in the lecture atmosphere because the situation can be so factory-like that the student doesn't even want to ask questions. So while the subject may be basically interesting, the packaging is bad and the student is not participating.

We try to overcome these things in the Living/Learning Program, and many of

Program. I find that these sections seem to do better on exams. It's not that I play favorites, because I present the material in essentially the same way to all sections I teach. The difference is that students in Living/Learning participate more at the evening office hour, discuss more in class and give me much more feedback so that I can respond to precisely what they wish to concentrate on learning.

I look forward to teaching in this type of situation. It's one of the best situations on campus for me as a professional teacher, because the other faculty members in the program are also excited about teaching. At our Wednesday lunch we talk about teaching: communication, learning, testing, and participation by students in things that develop out of the living/learning situation. Several faculty



# Cultivating excellence through the Honors Program

by Prof. Sam Schuman, Director

In the late 1950's and early 1960's a great many American colleges and universities discovered "the superior student" — usually defined by some combination of creativity, intelligence, and/or industriousness. Moving with what passes for great haste in the reflective world of higher education, these institutions devised special scholarly opportunities for such students. The "Honors Program" became an established feature of the academic world.

This must have been viewed with some amusement at the University of Maine at Orono, since by the early 1960's our Honors Program had already been functioning for thirty years and was undoubtedly educating some of the children of its own earlier graduates.

Today, some forty-five years after its founding by UMO Professor of English Dr. Stanley Ashby, our Honors Program is not only one of the oldest in the country, it is also one of the best. As in the past, it combines the traditional with the innovative in its efforts to achieve the goal of "cultivating excellence."

Honors courses are aimed at both broadening and deepening the student's general education and his or her investigation of a specific major field of academic

interest. In general, the work of the first two years aims at exposure to a broad variety of studies within a small-class format. The third and fourth years are spent focusing on independent research within the major under the supervision of a professor from that field who functions as the student's tutor.

The Freshman Seminar, with a ratio of approximately twelve students to each faculty member, investigates some masterpieces of the Western Heritage. There are about ten sections of Freshman Seminar, and each section meets separately for two one-hour sessions per week. In addition, all the sections meet together once a week for a movie, lecture, or some other special event related to the readings. During the first semester, the group deals with the period up to the Medieval age, and in the second term they move from the Renaissance to modern times. Masterpieces of philosophy and literature such as the works of Plato and Shakespeare are considered together with major works from the social and natural sciences by writers like Darwin and Marx.

The Sophomore Tutorial involves some twenty-five sections, each of which consists of three or four students and one professor, and each of which pursues a different

course of study (again cross-disciplinary and broad) determined by students and faculty together. This course usually meets for two to three hours, once a week, and a tremendous variety of topics can fit within this format. Some recent tutorial sections, for example, have focused upon "The Sea" (from the perspectives of biology and ecology, history, technology and the arts) and "The American Frontier" (as it relates to literature, the visual arts, business, and the national consciousness). In both the freshman and sophomore courses, instructors and students are drawn from all the colleges of the University and carefully and thoroughly mixed to avoid any particular specialized slant.

The junior and senior years in the Honors Program are spent in independent study within the student's major field. A course of readings, lab work, or similar investigation leads to an Honors Project in the senior year. This is a substantial scholarly undertaking and is the culmination of the student's work in the Honors Program. Recent senior projects have covered a range of topics including the translation of a French-Canadian novel, study of the Maine State Commission on the Future, laboratory research in genetics, and advanced work in theoretical mathematics.

The Honors Program has its own building, an active and friendly new structure located on campus between the Memorial Union and Fogler Library. Constructed by students of Agricultural Engineering, the building itself demonstrates the potential of UMO students to do work of high quality and sound substance. The Honors Center houses a small but growing library (much of which was donated by former director Cecil Reynolds of the English Department). It also includes a large and comfortable lounge area and a seminar-style classroom, in addition to office space.

It's important to realize that classes in the Honors Program start out small and get smaller. Juniors are very quickly involved in independent research leading to a Senior Project, and both junior- and senior-level work has an effective faculty student mix of 1:1. This type of study gives students experience in writing a major research paper, increases confidence and is an excellent preparation for the type of work to be encountered in graduate school. A number of students have published the results of their research, and this impresses grad schools looking at the honors student as a potential candidate for admission.

With its low faculty-to-student ratio, separate building, and many auxiliary activities, the UMO Honors Program obvi-

*The Honors Center.*



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ously requires a substantial investment, and the University has clearly backed its commitment to excellence with facilities, personnel, and finances. Can the results of this expenditure be measured? What, in other words, do the University and its students actually get from the Honors Program?

For one thing, a high percentage of Honors Program students successfully enter the job market or graduate school well-prepared to function on their own. With increasing attention being paid to the pragmatic functions of higher education, an Honors degree from a fine University such as UMO is most attractive to top graduate and professional schools, and to employers.

Secondly, and perhaps more importantly, is the quality of the educational experience that honors students have during their four years at UMO. The Honors Program is able to provide many of the educational benefits of an intense and small scholarly program coupled with the

ample opportunities offered by a large university. Honors students work in a close and demanding (but rewarding) relationship with some of the best teachers on campus. The program provides them with both the foundations of general knowledge which are essential to any truly educated person and the specific research tools and methods necessary to achieve genuine professional depth in one area of specific interest. It is an educational experience second to none.

Finally, the Honors Program makes a real and important contribution to the academic tone of the University as a whole. We attempt to cultivate excellence by seeking and encouraging a variety of offerings to further the highest of academic standards throughout the campus, not strictly confined to "honors students." In the past year the Honors Program has offered public lectures, supported publication of outstanding student work (outside the Honors Program itself) through such outlets as the *UMO History*

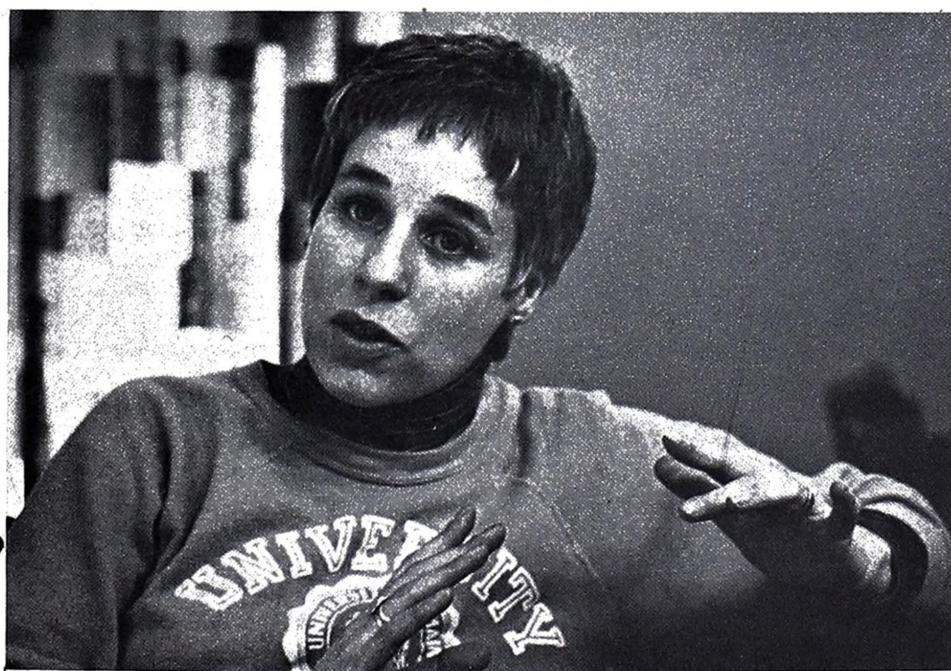
*Review*, hosted informative programs on graduate schools and financial aid open to the entire University community, and tried in a number of additional ways to serve as a catalyst for academic excellence wherever it may be found at UMO.

In an era of increasingly intense competition for the superior student, the Honors Program actively recruits and brings to campus students of the highest caliber. It also offers instructors a chance to stretch some scholarly muscles which might not be exercised regularly in the course of normal departmental duties. It brings together students and teachers from a variety of disciplines in an intense learning atmosphere almost guaranteed to produce mutual stimulation.

Through its dedication to superior students and an academically outstanding University, the UMO Honors Program continues to make an important and distinctive contribution to excellence as it nears the end of its first half-century.

## The challenge of teaching honors

by Prof. Ruth Nadelhaft



Summer, 1976. Ten puzzled, excited, faintly apprehensive professors hunch around a seminar table in the new Honors building. The group includes physical scientists, social scientists, and humanists. Assembled through a process that will remain inexplicable to them, they have agreed to try to design, and then teach, an interdisciplinary one-year freshman honors course designed to give students a

basic understanding of western civilization from its beginnings to its present condition. Already, in the heat of the morning, all the professors are losing their nerve. The enormity of the enterprise, which sounded inspiring when first approached, now seems colossal. Faced with the nature of the task, each feels insecure and downright inadequate.

Today, with some changes, that original

group of queasy yet dauntless professors remains largely responsible for the design and teaching of Freshman Honors. As one of the trembling ten, I am still full of unrealized ambitions for the course, as well as some chastened understanding of what does or does not work for our freshmen and our staff in the Freshman Honors Program. But we have retained both the interdisciplinary approach and the chronological range of the course, with all the challenge and the difficulty that both represent for us. Ten people, from different departments and colleges still meet and work together to guide the program with varying, sometimes startling results.

Freshmen ordinarily don't have the chance to meet in small, intimate classes with their professors, and one of the most important aspects of the program is that beginning students get a chance to take part in an enthusiastic exchange of ideas at the earliest point in their university career. Within each section, thirteen freshmen and one honors professor meet twice a week in the honors seminar room. The freshmen themselves represent as many as six different colleges at the University of Maine at Orono; they begin as strangers to one another, apprehensive at the prospect of an intense semester of writing and thinking and talking about those most nebulous quantities in western experience: abstract ideas. We agree that there will be at least five short papers during the course of the semester; we also agree that class participation will be critical to their grades and to the success of the seminar.

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In such a small group, inevitably each student has to speak and assume some responsibility for the conduct of the course, and in fact, one goal of freshman honors is to make each student more intellectually responsible, more able to work independently, more able to express to his peers the results of his own thoughtful appraisal of the material we all explore as a group.

The interplay between the individual and the group, the teacher and what is taught, clearly emerges in the freshman honors experience. Freshman honors is as much an exchange as it is a curriculum, and realizing that no one professor can be an authority on so many ideas over so long a chronological period, the students come to reassess the process of learning. Ideally, the professor in freshman honors can depend on the students for informed participation, even discussion leadership, as the semester progresses. Every student feels some real apprehension when about to lead a discussion on a subject as intimidating as "the tragic idea" or "science and morality." But every student survives because he is sustained by the partnership of the group and the confidence in the process which has developed during the semester.

Students also know that the course will be responsive to their complaints as well as their needs. Freshman honors is a course which changes often and rapidly. Indeed, for some of the people who teach in the program, the rapidity of change means constant preparation, an even greater challenge to their teaching capacity. Few university courses try to bring out and respond to the ideas and opinions of the students as freshman honors does. Books, lecturers, whole areas of intellectual concern appear and then disappear from the curriculum. What remains is the commitment to the development of western humanity over time, and the interdisciplinary approach which depends on good faith among ten professors with very different backgrounds and training.

In many ways, the nature of the experience of freshman honors is what we desire for all our students. What student would not benefit from sustained, intense involvement in an informal atmosphere with friends and professors? Freshman honors becomes a kind of model for a liberal arts education which enriches us all and from which we derive insights which we use in other courses, other settings within the University.

In a time when more and more specialization determines the nature of the university, when each of us belongs to a department, a discipline, a college, freshman

honors is an experience which charts a different course. Professors trained as separatists are trying to work together. Functioning as lecturers and teachers, we attempt to join students as learners. Committed to a state university an egalitarian ideal of education, we are trying to sustain personalized, quality education and make it available to every interested student from six very different colleges and backgrounds.

We wonder from week to week whether it is working, if it can work. We tinker with the course and consider dropping out, but most of us stay with it. The experience of honors teaching is what most of us think all teaching ought to be, and we keep trying to make the connections firm in this program so that we all can benefit from it.

## **Linda Robertson: "That extra zing"**



Participation in the Honors Program requires that a student pursue areas of study outside his or her major field, the philosophy being that formal education should foster intellectual well-roundedness. Exposure to this philosophy has given me a different attitude toward education as a whole. Previously, I perceived the objective of education to be the teaching of "how to do something." After being involved in the Honors Program, I now view education as a vehicle by which, in addition to learning "how to do," one gains the ability to conceptualize and then to make predictions and decisions in life situations.

Because the program emphasizes excellence in education, it has given me the incentive to achieve beyond the regular curriculum requirements. Being involved in Honors Programs on a regional level as well as locally, I have had the opportunity

to compare other Honors Programs to our own. I believe I am being fairly objective and definitely honest in saying that the Honors Program at UMO is an outstanding one.

All in all, it seems to me that Honors does for education what spices do for food. Food may be well-prepared, nutritious and satisfying by itself, but spices give it that extra zing.

## **Ben Zeichick: "Getting involved"**



Among the many activities for which our Honors Program is noted is the Organization of Honors Students. This group, of which every Honors student is a member, is totally student run, with the help of advice from the Honors Director, faculty, and staff. As a past Governing Board Chairman of the Organization I am happy to report that the group takes its work seriously and is one of the most active student organizations at UMO.

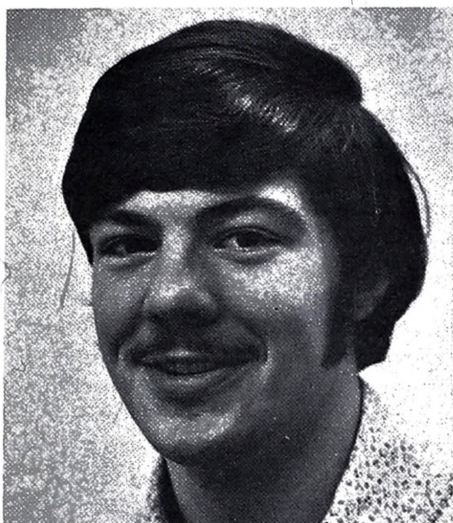
Another area of the Honors Program where honors students are very involved is in the Honors Council, which formulates policy for the program. By a long-standing agreement four students nominated by the OHS are appointed by President Neville to the Council, where they speak with a voice equal to that of the various college honors secretaries or other Council members. I am currently serving a term on the Honors Council and find it tremendously rewarding to be in a position to make some of the decisions that will ultimately affect me as a student.

The Honors Program is made up of many facets which the students are invited to sample. Judging by the student response there seems to be something for everyone, and for me it is very rewarding.

CRAIG MILNER



## Lance Conklin: "Making choices"



When I came to the University I declined an invitation to join the Honors Program. My first thoughts about Honors were that it would be a time-consuming course that would help me little, if any, in my college career.

After a period of time at Orono, I talked with several students who all thought very highly of the program. Following their comments and the suggestion of my ad-

visor I decided to take part in the program. I have now been involved for two semesters and it is a decision I have never regretted.

My first semester in the program consisted of group discussions on a variety of topics. The discussion group was small in size—only four people plus our professor—so each person had ample time to ask questions and share thoughts. The topics for discussion were not part of a standard curriculum, but chosen by the group.

These topics ranged from utopian societies to the effects of DDT on the environment. The wide diversity of topics discussed by the group forced each of us to expand our knowledge and thoughts into areas that were previously unfamiliar.

Starting in the '78 fall semester, I entered the second phase of the Honors program, a two-year project with one professor in a chosen field of study. For me, this involves research work in the area of forest pathology, with field as well as library work.

It is important to have the freedom within the program to be able to choose a discipline that is of interest to the individual. I have been given the opportunity to choose not only the general area of research I wish to study, but also the specific disease and its effect on a particular tree

species. Honors is flexible for the student rather than forcing the student to conform to the course.

Travel to other universities or places of professional interest can also be incorporated into the program. I have made several trips in Maine to examine the pathogen with which I am working, the chestnut blight fungus. Besides the trips within Maine, I have gone to Newport, Rhode Island to talk with professors and researchers about the pathogen and my research.

For me, it has been tremendous to be able to meet with other people and discuss their ideas about the subject. One of the most stimulating things for me has been that I am involved with research that is happening right now. It's not being taught in some course out of a textbook, but is a new finding in which I am personally involved.

I feel Honors has added a great deal to my educational opportunities at UMO. It has expanded my thoughts and ideas to areas other than my major field, giving me an appreciation for other intellectual disciplines. Honors has not only made college more interesting, it has also made college more enjoyable by providing a course that I chose and am enthusiastic about pursuing.

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## Rewarding achievement through public recognition

by Win Pullen, Assoc. Dean LS&A

Back in the mid-1960's we had scholarship funds available to help students, but there was no public recognition in the sense of a gathering to reward students for their achievements and scholarship.

We decided we ought to give some encouragement and recognition to incoming freshmen, so we set aside twelve to fifteen \$50 awards that we would give to freshmen strictly on a scholarship basis, regardless of program, regardless of where they came from. This group was recognized publicly at a scholarship dinner to which we invited as guests all honor students (about 500) in the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture. We've continued to do this ever since.

Several years down the road, we decided to invite our three honor societies to participate in sponsoring the dinner. Xi Sigma Pi concerns the forestry and wildlife area, Omicron Nu is concerned with human development, and Alpha Zeta en-

compasses the whole college. They agreed that they would like to take part as a service project, and they now co-sponsor the scholarship dinner each spring. Since the late sixties they have been involved in preparing the program, selecting the speaker and helping to get the faculty out.

In addition to the freshman awards are others which are made strictly on a scholarship basis, such as the graduate award, which highlights the academic accomplishments of graduate students, and several other upper class student scholarship awards. Recognition includes our associate degree (two-year) students, several of whom receive awards. Our philosophy is that we recognize lots of other things done by students—athletic abilities, music ability, dramatic abilities, and so on—but not always scholarship. This was our attempt to give recognition to scholarship in the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture, and we try to make quite an event of

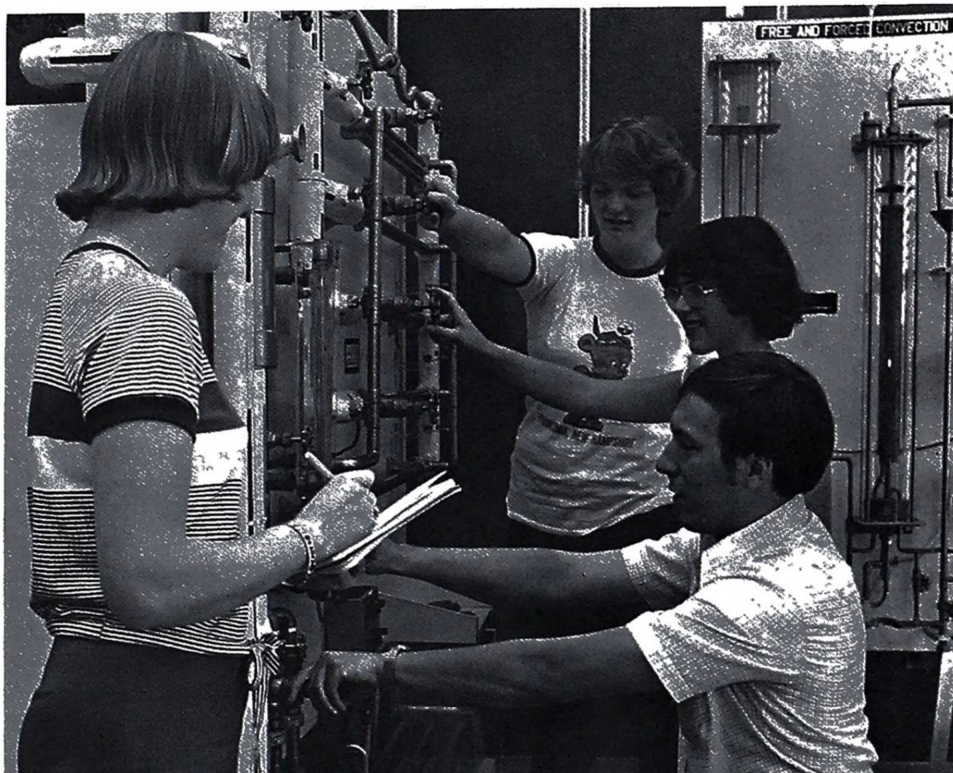
it. We have a program with a speaker. The honor society presidents sit at the head table, and each of them has an opportunity to speak briefly about their society. The turnout is from four to five hundred students and from seventy-five to a hundred faculty and spouses each spring, and it's a very nice occasion for students to look forward to.

My personal feeling is that students in the college are concerned about the purpose of an education. They are concerned about life on the campus and how it relates to their academic program. I see a solid group of students who are here for an education and who are highly motivated, and I think this relates to the philosophy we have here in LS&A. The faculty members are interested in the students. They show it by working as academic advisors, by serving as advisors to student organizations, by participating in the scholarship recognition program, and in many other ways. Having a yearly awards banquet reinforces the seriousness with which the students undertake their programs here, and it has become a positive academic tradition which encourages students to perform well.



# Students and research: continuing support for excellence

by Stan Marshall, Director, Univ. of Maine  
Pulp and Paper Foundation



*High school juniors see equipment in use.*

Through programs designed to find and encourage students considering paper related technical and forestry careers and through support of research activity, the Pulp and Paper Foundation actively seeks the goal of quality of education at the University of Maine at Orono.

Each summer a special three-week course entitled "Introduction to Engineering and Science" offered by the Chemical Engineering Department and sponsored by the Foundation brings academically gifted high school juniors to the campus to explore their interests in an engineering career. The students learn computer programming and library research techniques, and spend one week investigating a research topic such as paper making, chemical analysis, solar collector design or advanced computer applications.

The students frequently find that they enjoy meeting the challenges of the course assignments, and most of the students do decide to study engineering or science once they complete their high school work, with a large proportion of that group matriculating at Orono. These gifted students add strength to the

academic community in later years as they become involved in the University's research projects.

In response to the heavy demand from high school students to learn about college and career opportunities, the Foundation has also developed a week-long Engineering Career Exploration Seminar which is offered in cooperation with more than twenty high schools in four Maine population centers: Portland, Lewiston, Augusta and Bangor. Tours with engineers; a visit with UMO students, faculty and administrators; and a concluding activity to identify how to reach a college and career decision are all part of the program. These seminars have allowed young people who were not aware of the high quality of the educational opportunity offered at Orono to learn more about the campus' facilities and staff.

The Foundation provides undergraduate support by awarding about fifteen full Maine tuition scholarships to entering freshmen. As with the summer course, freshman scholarship recipients are selected competitively, typically from a field of forty to fifty applicants, on the

basis of their academic potential and interest in considering an engineering career. (Financial need is not a consideration in making the scholarship awards.)

Scholarship support is also made available to approximately 125 students at or beyond their sophomore year of studies. Since 1952 more than one thousand students have received Maine tuition scholarships from the Foundation.

As a service to the scholarship recipients and to its industrial sponsors, the Foundation helps place students in appropriate summer jobs so they can obtain a realistic understanding of the career opportunities which are available. Students find employment in many areas of the country in a wide range of jobs with paper producers and companies which supply chemicals, machinery or services to the paper industry.

Support of faculty encourages the attraction and retention of the very highly qualified scientific talent the University needs to compete for and pursue its scientific research. Gifts of modern research equipment help the University strengthen its teaching programs by stimulating the faculty and exposing students to the demands and challenges of research. In addition, the Foundation's Research Committee reviews the research work being conducted by the faculty and makes suggestions regarding its relevance to national needs. This type of cooperation has allowed the University to become a nationally recognized research center in the field.

Finally, the Foundation supports students who are about to enter the job market. As students prepare for graduation, a booklet with photos and biographical data listing all engineering and forestry graduates interested in the paper industry is circulated to the nearly 150 member companies of the Pulp and Paper Foundation, as well as to more than 600 individuals who are Foundation sponsors. This booklet introduces the students to the industry in which they plan to seek employment.

The University and the Foundation share a strong interest in attracting to Orono the best students and faculty available. Not only do superior students improve the student body by encouraging others to reach for high academic goals, they also help stimulate faculty by their quick learning ability and willingness to undertake new challenges. Supporting this interaction helps the University to maintain its high reputation for the excellence of its engineering and forestry graduates.



# REUNION WEEKEND

## JUNE 7, 8, 9, 10

## CLASS NOTES

**16** *Julius H. Kritter*  
10 Pleasant Street  
Groveland, MA 01830

Mr. and Mrs. *Horace E. Grant*, 148 High Street, Exeter, NH, were given a surprise 50th wedding anniversary dinner at the Exeter Inn on October 2, 1978. Mr. Grant was a pharmacist in Portsmouth, NH, purchasing a drug store in Exeter in 1953, retiring in 1967. He was active in civic and church affairs, a charter member and president of Rotary and a member and officer in several Masonic Orders and veterans organizations.

Your secretary was afflicted with cataracts requiring operation at Mass. Eye and Ear Infirmary. I am pleased to report my ability to read, and to drive the car again.

**17** *Mrs. John W. Glover*  
(*Edith L. Ingraham*)  
265 Main Street  
Orono, ME 04473

Happy New Year to all you seventeneers. As usual, this is a reunion year for us — keep it in mind and start planning to be here. If you've never been to a reunion, let's break that record. A letter from *Mabel (Murray) Dixon* tells us she was a house mother at UMO for several years — since then has travelled widely with her daughter, whose husband is a colonel. She has visited all the European countries, British Isles, Greece, Israel, Japan, Philippines, Hong Kong and Thailand. From now on, she expects to live in Hawaii, but expects to go on tour in February — will visit the Fiji Islands, New Zealand and Australia. Wonderful.

*Hazel (Lane) Babcock* lives at 4 Chestnut Ave., Edgewood Hills, Wilmington, DE 19809. After being with Hercules, Inc. for 43 years, her husband, Leon, has retired. Since then they have travelled — several times around the world, to the South Pacific, etc. They have one son, also with Hercules, living in Wilmington, and one grandson.

*Luther Amos* has not been in Maine for five years. His sons, *Luther, Jr.* '50, and *Philip W.*, now vacation at the summer home at Branch Lake. Luther is pretty much confined to the house. Mrs. Amos is still able to get around in spite of her arthritis. They live at 2503 Hoffer St., Harrisburg, PA 17103.

*Roy Higgins* and *Hubby Hiller* both write that they plan to be here for our 62nd reunion. *Mildred (Perry) LaPointe* has gone to Rapid City, SD, RR2 Box 1101 to live with her son.

**18** *Francis Head*  
16 Yorkshire Ave.  
Pittsfield, MA 01201

*Fredde Haines* dislikes the DC traffic going by his new home (with one of his sons in Rockville, MD) and misses the country life of North Egremont, MA where he grew his own beans and peas.

**19** *Stacy L. Bragdon*  
47 Parker Road  
Wellesley, MA 02181

*Ed Adams* of Auburn, ME continues his generosity by sending another \$5000 to add to his Scholarship Fund. This will bring the total to \$35,000. In 1978 four students were helped by the income from the fund. All of us surely admire Ed for his philanthropic work.

From *Vernon Wallingford* in Ferguson, MO: "Our younger son David, has just received a promotion to assistant manager of marketing at McDonald-Douglas Aircraft Division. He lives nearby, so we plan to spend Christmas with him. We are all proud of the fact that his son Michael was one of four of a class of 250 to receive an award for attaining a perfect

scholastic record (400) last year. Harlan, our older son, who lives in West Nyack, NY, was recently promoted to the position of Assistant Dean of the School of Business Administration at Pace University. His older son, Stephen, a captain in the Air Force, recently presented us with our first grand daughter-in-law. On Aug. 4 he married Jacqueline Kirkham in Dallas. Believe it or not "Jackie" was an engineer with the company that supplies equipment for drilling oil wells. I just can't imagine her in hard hat and coveralls out in the field gathering information for design work. We felt that we could not make the trip to attend the wedding, but we saw all of the family either going to or returning from the wedding. Steve and his bride visited us on the way to Griffiths Air Force Base in New York State where he is stationed. I am sorry that there is no chance of our getting to our 60th reunion in 1979."

*Ralph V. Sinnett* writes from Clemson, S.C., "We enjoy living in the Southland especially since we can be near Arlene and Dick and five of our seven lovely grandchildren. In the spring we visited Ralph's sister and her husband in Florida, and in the summer we spent three months at our beloved cottage in Maine, visiting Ruth, Hersh, and their family in Columbus, Ohio, going and coming. Their children are both married, and Mark and wife, Mary, have given us two beautiful grandchildren. Here in Clemson we have "lost" the oldest of our grandchildren, Anne, as her husband, Eric, has received his Ph.D. degree and they have moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where Eric is teaching at the Univ. of Tulsa. In October Mernie had successful surgery for the removal of a cataract. No aches nor pains whatever, and soon she will be fitted to a soft contact lens, but she had what we think is post-operative shock with severe anemia, from which she is only slowly recovering." In a penned postscript on Dec. 6 Ralph writes: "Today Mrs. Sinnett broke her hip badly and is still in the hospital recovering from it. Fortunately I can stay with her. We don't know yet when she will be able to get home." I am sure that all of us wish that Mernie will recover soon and be able to return to her home. Don't forget about that 60th reunion that will be coming up in June!

**20** *Lawrence P. Libby*  
807 Union Street  
Bangor, ME 04401

Your secretary has finally retired from his insurance business, but is still active in the Boy Scouts, even though he received a fifty year service pin this year. Mrs. Libby and I spent Christmas with our son Edwin and family in Manchester, Me.

Before their departure to Florida, I met *Verne Beverly* and his wife Amy, and he reminded me to include his new address in this issue: MRB 432-17, Bangor, ME 04401. Actually his permanent residence is Chase Road, Veazie. *John Davis* and his brother Tom are near neighbors and Verne gets to play golf with *Harry Watson* at the P.V. Country Club.

*Howard R. Frost*, Lambda Chi Alpha, and his wife celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary at a dinner party given by Mr. and Mrs. Howard R. Frost, Jr. at their Hooper Lodge home in South Paris, Me.

*Iva Barker Bean* writes that she spent some time in a Reno Hospital, but is home now and getting along fine. She plans to be in attendance at our 60th reunion. *Betty Mills Towner* reports that she was at the Beach's (*Marguerite Mills Beach*) on December 17th where they celebrated three birthdays including hers.

Happy New Year and let me hear from you in 1979.

**21** *Mrs. Stormont Josselyn*  
(*Emile Kritter*)  
229 Kenzo Avenue  
Haverhill, MA 01830

Always my first Holiday card comes from *Hollis Jones* in Hawaii and always a most beautiful card with a



handwritten message: "Good to hear from you! We see Joe F. Murray '66 now and then at the pool. Movement 'on foot' to get some Maine folks together. Hope it works! Aloha! Mable and Holly." Do let me know how, when and where it works, we are interested. I looked up the Hawaiian Islands in the new Maine Directory, counted a total of 54 UMO's. Quite a sizeable group.

*Percy Blackwell*: "My wife and I are looking forward to our 60th class reunion. There will be some of us left, I am sure. We remember with great pleasure our 50th." *G. Maynard Trafton*: "I do feel guilty, as many others must, at not being more attentive to our class of 1921. Was just looking over our *Prism* and reading about our classmates and now after reaching the four score plus in age, this letter is an attempt to catch up. After 23 years in Vermont as school principal, on staff of State Dept. of Education and the staffs of the Univ. of Vermont I decided to leave all that to go into vacation business. 1946-67 was spent in building up that business. In the meantime my wife and I spent 15 winters in Florida on the Braden River where I had most excellent fishing. Sold mobile home in '72 and now spend four seasons in Maine and am enjoying each one. Mrs. T is confined to a walker so this handicaps us somewhat, but with a garden, my ocean boat (marina one-half mile away) and my own tennis court (I still play). I have good health, read a great deal, and plan this winter to be my own biographer. I still look to tomorrow. *Kenneth Stackpole*, 1922 Bear Man, and I had a great visit this summer. *Bill Connor*, also '22, spent a week with my son John who took over the vacation business in '67 and cares for 100 families in tents, trailers, and cottages." Thanks, G. Trafton, for your delightful letter. 1921 now has 98 living members!

*Florence (Morrell) Kelley*: "My son's youngest daughter *Andrea* graduated from UMO in June '78. She is fourth generation of an all Maine family — parents '48, grandparents '21 and her great grandfather 1900. *Andrea* loves to have me tell tales of our days on campus! I enjoyed so much hearing of *Peg Blethen* and *Dot (Hart) Cook*." *Donald Stuart* of Saskatchewan, Canada: "Spent two months in Maine in summer of '78. On our return trip I stopped off to visit with *Lee* and *George Ginsberg* in Bangor. They were heading for Skowhegan to meet *Ginny (Averill)* '23 and *Roger Castle*."

*Roger Castle*: "Your last column (Fall '78) was again very well done. (Thanks a million!) I have resurrected the last few years, several freshman posters, framed them and given them to the Alumni Association. I have just finished 1920. This is the last one I have and if you can dig up others I would be glad to frame them. *Nancy Dysart* has hung them in her office. She now has '12, '15, '20, '21 and '22." Any others out there '21ers? Let's encourage *Roger* in this interesting project, one of many which he has engineered for Maine. His address is Bristol Road, Damariscotta, ME 04543.

22 *Leslie W. Hutchins*  
30 Alban Road  
Waban, MA 02168

"The response to my many appeals for news has finally activated the silent ones and this response encourages me to continue as your secretary while trying to keep the Class of 1922 alive and not dead. First on the list is our Class Treasurer, *Mrs. George (Ardis Lancy) Moore* with whom I had a long phone conversation before she departed for her winter home in Clearwater, Fla. She reported visits by "Les" *Nadeau* and *Carleton "Buss" Walker*. "Buss" had also visited the *Marstons (Kay and Frederick)* at Sargentville.

It was a real surprise to hear from one who seldom writes to us, none other than *R. Warren Graffam* or "Tank" as he was affectionately known all over the campus. He reports that he is still working and flourishing and has recently moved into a 71,000 square feet of warehouse space to be a wholesale distributor of floor coverings known as *Graffam Floors, Inc.* Please write to us sometime *Warren* and tell us the contrasting life at *Phillips* and *Pittsburgh, Pa.*

Last year after our reunion my wife and I checked out of the University Motel leaving *Walter Perro*, long

time consultant for *Scott Paper*, a very sick man. *Helen*, his wife, was very worried and so were we as we reluctantly left them. No news since then, except for a letter written on Nov. 23, 1978 from Honolulu saying, "The doctor, after a complete examination, told me to go ahead and do whatever I was doing so I am again playing golf five days a week and doing what I have been doing for years." We are pleased to hear this from you *Walter* and we hope you will continue to keep going and come back to our next reunion in 1982. *Helen* and *Walter* have now had their fourth Thanksgiving holiday in Honolulu.

A welcome letter from *Parker W. Patterson* whom I first met in freshman chemistry. His letter said: "Your column in the Summer Issue of the *Maine Alumnus* prompts me to write you. I came to Tulsa, OK in 1922 to join my two older brothers in the *Patterson Steel Co.* which they had organized two years earlier. That was my job and I retired in 1969. I participated in company trade associations, was a board member of the Tulsa Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, and active in the First United Methodist Church. In Rotary, I was the founding president of the S-D Club in Tulsa in 1951 — The Rotary Club of Will Rogers (Tulsa) which now has 130 members. In 1963, I served as Governor of Rotary District 611 which has 69 clubs, about 4000 members and is in parts of four states.

"I am married and *Ruth* and I have two children, seven grandchildren and one great-grandson. We have traveled some: Canada, Mexico, Europe twice, around the world once, and in all 50 states. When I came to Tulsa, its population was about 80,000, the 1970 census was 331,000, and a recent estimate is 348,000. Yes, I have had a busy life in Tulsa, in business and civic and church activities. We are enjoying retirement in the retirement home we built in 1968 — a five room, air conditioned, brick one.

"Thank you for keeping us posted on our classmates through the years. With all good wishes, sincerely, Pat."

I am reminded of *Dr. O. Spurgeon English* on Sunday when I attend the Union Church in Waban, Mass. because our pastor, *Rev. Boyd Johnson*, attended many of the lectures on psychiatry delivered by *Dr. English*. Always a loyal son of Maine, his letter which follows speaks for him: "Dear *Leslie*: I read the *Maine Alumnus* regularly and always look for the news of the people in the Class of '22. I have noted your appeals for more news but I think I wrote about a year ago so I don't want to write too often so the class members would think I was too eager to talk about myself. I might say in passing that I always look at the news of Class '21 and Class '23, as I remember many people from both. Of course, I remember *Emilie Ritter Josselyn* and *Mrs. W.W. Rich* who have been secretaries for so long to the class. So, I'd like to extend my best wishes to both of them as well.

"I am still practicing psychiatry with my office in my home ever since I left the Department of Psychiatry at Temple University Medical Sciences fourteen years ago. My office in my home is the only one I've had and still practice quite actively there, about forty hours a week more or less. I still teach at three different hospitals once or twice monthly.

"Every summer, I go to Southern Maine and spend a week with our son *Wesley J. English*, who was in the Class of '57. We have a delightful week together at Wing-in-Pines. They have a tennis court and a golf course in Naples. Last May we went with *Wes* and family to England for a week. Thanksgiving Day we spent with our daughter, *Cheryl Ann English*, Class of '67, who lives in Little Rock, Arkansas with her husband *Kenneth Hall* (10960 Bainbridge, Little Rock, Arkansas 72212 in case any of her classmates want to get in touch with her).

"We haven't been back to a reunion for some time but would like to make it in '82. *Carroll* was not fortunate enough to go to the University of Maine as his brother and sister did but he, like *Wes*, attended Temple University Medical School and practices orthopedic surgery in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. He and his family of four are the ones closest to us and see them the most. My wife *Ellen* and I extend greetings to all we met and remember us from the last reunion along with the kindest personal regards to yourself. Cordially yours, "Doc." "

## 24 Class Reunion, June 1979

*Mrs. Frank W. Howard*  
(*Ethelyn M. Percival*)  
112 Eastern Ave. Apt. G-2  
Augusta, Maine 04330

We extend our sympathy to the families of *Francis Shaw* and *Vaughn Ladd*. See "In Memoriam."

After summering in Maine, *Julian* and *Elsa Merrill* hit the trail for Florida, calling on *Mike* and *Alice Dowd* '26 at Blue Hill. *Mike* and *Julian* had cruised timber together in the twenties in New Brunswick, Quebec and Newfoundland. They visited *Phil* and *Vi Sargent* at Spruce Head and his sister, *Ernestine Whitten* '34 at Amesbury, Mass. Also saw *Louis Horsman* in Port Jervis, N.Y. He looks just fine after his heart operation of a year ago. He had lived in Port Jervis for 52 years. Then down through the Shenandoah Valley and the Blue Ridge Mountains and on to Florida.

A note from *Eva Pride* tells some of what she has been doing these many years. After teaching for 37 years in Torrington, Conn. she started traveling, first around England with an English friend, finding it a wonderful place and the people marvelous. Another year she and a friend toured Europe by train, meeting very interesting people at dinners and on the trains. Then a trip by car with a nephew across the U.S. to California. Summers she goes to her cottage in Cape Elizabeth in the Crescent Beach section of the Park. She has been to Florida a few winters and saw *Rosalie Crockett* '27 in St. Pete.

*Irene Guppy Parsons* went to New Zealand and Australia last September and says the scenery can't be beaten, colorful and spectacular. For genuine hospitality the two countries rate the same, people friendly everywhere. She is living with another retired teacher at 12883-99th Drive, Sun City, AZ 85351.

*Louise Messer Mayo* writes about her activities: Sec. of Bath-Brunswick Retired Teachers Assoc., Necrology Chairman of the State Retired Teachers, Past Treas. and Pres. of Eta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, member of Bath YMCA and Auxiliary of Plant Memorial Home, and active in the Episcopal Church of Bath. Also sings in "The Guys and Gals" group which was invited to sing at Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade.

Reunion plans: Friday evening, June 8, Class dinner; Sat. with the Senior Alumni for breakfast and meeting; Sun. outing at *Jed Prouty's* in Bucksport.

25 *Mrs. William E. Schrumphf*  
(*Mildred G. Brown*)  
84 College Ave.  
Orono, ME 04473

Ex-Class *Prexy "Bob" Hashell*, Chairman of the Board of Bangor Hydro-Electric Company, was seated on the platform with three other ex-governors of Maine at the inauguration of *Joseph Brennan*, Maine's new chief executive, at the Augusta Civic Center. You may have seen the ceremony on T.V.

The *Bangor Daily News* has published a new edition of your secretary's cookbook, *Flavor of Maine*. For those who have the first edition, the 150 new recipes may be obtained separately and added to the cookbook. The new book now has over 700 recipes.

May the new year encourage you to send news of your work or fun to your class secretary. Don't be bashful!

26 *Mary M. Roche*  
525 Crown St.  
Bldg. 7, Apt. 128  
Meriden, CT 06450

*Francis Buzzell* has been honored at the annual meeting of the U.S. Animal Health Association held recently at Buffalo, N.Y. for his role in the control and eradication of livestock and poultry disease. Presenting the award was *Dr. Frank Mulhearn*, Administrator of the Animal and Plant Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. *Dr. Mulhearn* said of *Francis'* work, "Through your efforts, and others like you, the livestock and poultry industry has grown and prospered free of many diseases that other countries have to endure. As a result, the people of this country have a more abundant food supply



and that is what our job is all about." Before his retirement Francis was director of the Animal Industry Division of the Maine Department of Agriculture for over thirty years, and during that time Maine became free of many animal diseases.

Dr. W.F. Dunning recently flew to China for a fifteen day visit. Now retired, Dr. Dunning enjoys visiting distant countries, and this is his first trip to mainland China. Ruth Morse Burbank writes from Orlando, Fla. where she lives near her daughter, Dianne Erskine. Ruth is now a widow and has two daughters and nine grandchildren. Maj. Gen. George R. Acheson (Ret.) sends greetings from Frogmore, S.C. He welcomed a grandson, born last May, son of his daughter, Ann Little. Ann is now in her last year of doctorate study at Yale University.

Margaret Fraser Feeney was named "Woman of Achievement" for 1978-79 by the Exeter Area Business and Professional Women's Club. She has served the Club in many capacities. She has also served the State Federation of Women's Clubs, presently as Chairman of the Public Affairs Dept. She and her late husband, Elton O. Feeney, lived three years in Japan following World War II. Margaret still gives a humorous slide program on her experiences in Japan.

27 Mrs. Earle R. Webster  
(Peg Webster)  
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Blessings come mixed. With regret we received notice of Don Stewart's resignation as Editor of the *Alumnus*, but welcomed the time extension for our notes. Christmas mail came in abundance. Our saddest news to report is the death of one of our most loyal classmates, Ken Field, who died December 24th. To Mae our sincere sympathy. The Kelso's Christmas card was a print of Banff, Alberta that Dot '29 took on their Canadian tour last July. They plan to be in Orono in June for Dot's 50th. Elmer plans to attend the January Alumni meeting in St. Pete and hopes to find some 27ers in attendance. From Edith Humphrey: "Had a memorable trip to Hawaii in the spring and planning Christmas in New Hampshire with Sue and the grandchildren." Florence Gushee Taylor wrote, "Wish I had some real news but don't except for a new 1978 granddaughter. Going to St. Petersburg in January for a couple of months to escape a repeat of last February. Will see Crystal Hughes Dostie for sure and would like to meet other Maine folks that way." Paul Lamoreau wrote that he has not been well this past year, "in and out of the Maine Medical Center in Portland for treatment." Hope '79 will be better Paul.

Via thoughtful Reg Merrill '29 who always shares his mail comes news of three classmates. Marlin MacLaughlin after his move from New Jersey has really become a part of the community in Montgomery, Alabama. He has activated his membership in the Masons and the Shrine, and shades of our high school orchestra, he hunted up his cornet and played for the arrival of Santa with the Masonic Band. He attends a 7 AM men's Bible Class and has numerous hobbies. He designed a latch hook rug that took 1st prize at the South Alabama Fair. His design was a model of the old locomotive that ran from Bangor to Bucksport. For next year's competition he hopes to enter a 29 x 52 rug. Milton Clapp plans to be at reunion in '79, and Harry Bearse will be sunning at Charlotte Harbor, Fla. for his 11th season. Thanks Reg.

Marada Johnson's routine was completely upset when after 14 years she decided to move. "I now have a very pleasant apartment on the 1st floor, fine owners, my own heat and water. All I have to do is pay for these luxuries. Am still a bird watcher, a hospital gift shop worker and a church board member." New address: 729 Gotham St., Apt. 1; Watertown, N.Y. 13601. Margaret Boothby Freeman's note was all cheer and good health. She was expecting Brenda '62 and her husband and 4 year old Cammie for the holidays. At '78 reunion time Tom and Evelyn Buxby were on an extended trip to Scandinavia and Russia. Tom doubts that he will get to Orono in '79 but is planning for '82. Also from the west coast a note from Betty Collins: "Right now I'm having my concentrated dose of Opera — five trips to L.A. for the New York City

Opera's presentations." Delighted to get a letter from Harold Milliken. He was a sanitary engineer with the Oregon State Board of Health for 26 years. Says, "now everyone is an environmental engineer." The Millikens have two children. Daughter Carol works for U.S. Army Special Services and is at present in Alaska. Son Malcolm is with Burroughs in the computer business and living in Las Vegas. He has four children and Harold says, "they are all too smart for me. We expect to visit them this winter and soak up some sunshine."

George Dow reports "Nothing spectacular, nothing sensational and no sickness." George has been busy with the Nobleboro Historical Society, a fall tour of the Pilgrim country and visits with the children. Ruth Grady says that she is not able to do much driving these days. Her daughter-in-law drove her to Tenants Harbor in the fall so she could spend a day with Kay Andrews Hocking '26 and Betty (Muzzy) Hastings came for lunch. An Extension Service friend brought some Extension workers to her house on October 12 to celebrate her 75th birthday, Ruth said, "if celebrate is the right word." Too bad Social Security prevents our staying 39.

Harry Culbertson had a session in the hospital in late August but reports he is feeling fine now. Says he is still working full time at Arch Gear and Sales and as a homemaker doing cooking, cleaning, and laundry. It doesn't leave much time for hobbies but he does get in a little golf and enjoys the Masonic and Shrine affairs, especially the Ladies Nights with dinner and dancing. Harry went on the UMO Panama Cruise and visited with his son Dean and his three grandchildren in California before flying home.

Received an invitation from Ray Tobey to "drop in if we ever come up to New Hampshire for one of the Seabrook demonstrations." He wrote: "We made our usual spring trip to Jackson, Miss. habitat of our daughter, Ellen Dittmer. Her husband is a history professor and author at Tougaloo College. She is active in the League of Women Voters, marathon running, etc. Our son Eldon is an engineer in the Hamilton Division of United Technologies in Windsor Locks, Conn. Grandchildren number only three so we bear little responsibility for the population explosion. Try to keep fit with golf vs. snow shoveling. Did some hiking around Baxter Park during the foliage season, mainly to take color slides of which I have a few thousand. My main project right now is the story of the York Harbor and Beach Railroad for the Bulletin of the Boston & Maine Railroad Historical Society. Since the line has been gone for over 50 years it takes a little digging through old newspaper files and records."

Danny and I head south in February and when we return I hope to find mail from those who could not take time to write at Christmas. *Alumnus* reporters can't snoop — we depend on you.

Welcome and best wishes to Craig Milner our new *Alumnus* editor.

## 50th Reunion Class, June 1979

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It won't be long now! Shortly after you read this column many of us, "50 or more," will be packing our bags and heading for the Orono campus for the biggest and best reunion ever held by any 50 year class of the University of Maine. Before I begin with the good news, I wish to impart a bit of sad news. I deeply regret to report that George Lester "Mike" Coltart passed away in Worcester, Mass. on November 2, 1978 at the age of 75 and among my Christmas mail I received a letter from Mrs. Evelyn Hunnewell, forwarded me by "Charley" Hurley, advising that Clayton M. Hunnewell of Tenants Harbor, Maine, age 74, died December 14, 1977. These deaths were especially saddening to your correspondent as "Mike" Coltart grew up in Brewer. He and I were members of the same troop of Boy Scouts and were students together in Brewer High School before becoming classmates at Maine. Clayton Hunnewell and I were fraternity brothers at Maine in Sigma Phi Sigma Fraternity.

Now for the good news. In October I received a fine letter from Robert F. "Bob" Chandler, Jr., from which I quote excerpts as follows: "Although I have been officially retired since June 1975, I have kept

busy with two principal activities. One is consulting in international research in Asia and Africa. The other is looking after our 1772-model house and 40 acres of land in Templeton, Mass. In addition, during 1977-78, I wrote a book entitled *Rice in the Tropics*, which will be published by Westview Press early in 1979. Bob continues by describing his trips to Asia and Africa and ends his interesting letter by writing, "My wife and I are planning to attend the 50th reunion of the class of 1929. Thus we shall add a mite to the goal of having '150 for the 50th.'"

The October 19, 1978 issue of the Newburyport, Mass., *Daily News*, carries glaring headlines reading George Donald "Billy" Buxby is visiting his home town of Newburyport. Billy was returning from the U. of M., Orono, where he had been to receive his gold "M." The item traces Billy's career from the time he was a sprinter in Newburyport High School to the present time, and is an exceptionally fine write-up. Frank "Pat" Foggia is very active in the Shrine. He has been to Halifax and St. John this fall for Shrine Memorials and has devoted much of his time to the Masonic Lodge, being the recorder for the Commandery in Calais. Jacob S. Andrews is now residing on Lufkin Street, Essex, Mass. 01929.

By the time you receive this, I am sure you will have received "Bob" Parks letter of October 15, 1978, and Attendance Chairman "Charlie" Hurley's letter mailed out in November. Up to late December, Charlie has reported to your correspondent that the following 1929ers have signified their intentions of being on hand for our fiftieth. Ethel Cummings and Kenneth F. Woodbury, "Reg" Merrill, Sr., Frank and Ruth Bostrom, Ramona (Poley) and Matthew Highlands, Bettina (Brown) and Frederick Moulten, George D. and Ruth Bixby, Harold T. and "Dot" Pierce, Whitney M. and Elsie Baston, "Bob" and "Kay" Parks, Rev. Gerald F. and Elna Burrill, Richard P. and Sarah (Pike) Gleason, Carroll E. Horslin, Stanley G. and Esther Winch, George E. and Mildred Rose, Harold and Margaret Bessey, Franklyn and Athalie Towne, Carleton D. and Ruth Staples, Abram J. and Thelma Libby, George S. and Evelyn Cunningham, Myrtle (Walker) and George F. Dow, Dr. Thomas A. and Clovis Martin, Sr., Lou and Eleanor Kinney, George Elai Desjardins, Vernon A. and Wilma Gamage, Elmer G. and Anne Horton, "Vic" and "Kay" Marvin MacNaughton, Virgil and Evelyn Lancaster, Theodore and Myra Blaisdell, Donald and Eleanor Small, John and Willa LaPlant, Elston and Janet Cooper, Richard and Evelyn FitzMorris, Clarence and Gladys Tucker, Elmer A. Stevens, Hazel (Emerson) and Jonathan Hall, Dr. Allison K. and Katherine Hall, Charles J. and Dortha Hurley, Robert F. and Muriel Chandler, Nicholas G. and Ann Hodgman, Gordon Smith, Mary (Robinson) and James McClure, Roderic and Helen O'Connor, Jim Buzzell and Guy Furbush. By the time you receive this issue of the *Alumnus*, I am sure that Charlie will have received many more reservations.

Under date of December 8, 1978, our CLASS GIFT FUND LETTER, written by Jim Buzzell, Chairman, and Guy Furbush, Co-Chairman of the Gift Committee was sent out and up to the end of December we understand that 12 members of 1929 have contributed \$3035 against our goal of \$25,000 for the Arts Center. To back up Jim's and Guy's letter, General Chairman Bob Parks has sent your correspondent the following data under date of December 19th, and I quote: "HISTORY REPEATS — Fifty years ago the Class of 1929 provided the leadership in the decision to have a student fund-raising drive toward the addition to the field house. Everyone — Senior Skulls, All Maine Women and other organizations — got behind it put it over the top! I'll never forget the big bonfire in the parking lot by the gym where the victory rally was held. Digging into the costumes of the Maine Masque, Etta Bailey and I had the privilege of arriving in horse and buggy to announce that we had made our goal — \$25,000. If we did it once, why not in 1979?"

A couple of last minute items just received. Clifton Hall advises that he retired in 1970 after 28 years with Clemson University Extension Service. He is a Past President and Director of the S.C. Christmas Tree Growers Association and does limited consulting in forestry work. The Rev. Gerald F. Burrill, retired Episcopal Bishop, advises that he will be on hand to give the invocation and benediction at our Golden Anniversary Banquet.



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It was good to hear from some of you in the Christmas mail. May the New Year inspire some of you to write me of your activities.

Hazel Sawyer Everett wrote a nice letter to fill us in on her retirement. After working for twelve years in a law office in Portland, she taught math at the junior high school and retired in 1975. Since then she and her husband have been doing some travelling. They have twice driven to California, spending two months each time seeing America. Their daughter lives in Palo Alto and their son in Herndon, Va. In La Habra they visited Herb and Louise Durgin Hammond. This winter the Everetts plan to visit in Pinehurst, N.C.

I hear that Kay Andrews has returned from a nice trip to Tokyo, Hong Kong and Bangkok. Elinor Clark Gesner's son has had a show produced in Boston this fall. Elinor still lives on Cape Cod.

Ted and Dutchie (Matheson '32) Palmer are going West for the winter and will spend January with their daughter Carol in Calif.

Dorothy Mayo Morris has moved back to Carbondale, Ill. from her Kentucky Lake home. We are sorry to report that her husband Delyte has been hospitalized for two years. Dot has gone to southern Spain for a couple of months with her sister Helen '25. She spent the holidays with her son Michael in Clemson, S.C. and she looks forward to returning to Orono for our 50th.

We extend the sympathy of the class to Kay Andrews of White River Junction, Vt. on the death of her brother-in-law Vaughan Hatch last March in Lowell. We also send sympathy to the family of Maurice Wood in Lincoln, R.I.

Our trip to Hawaii was lovely. We saw many beautiful places had lovely hotels and delicious food on all five islands. It is surely a dream world paradise. One highlight of the trip was a visit with Llewellyn "Harold" Lloyd in Waikiki. It was good to talk about old times and he promises to return for our 50th next year. Aloha.

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Easily the most notable event affecting the UMO Graduate "M" Club and a member of our class was a grateful salute to "Mr. UMO Athletics" our own Sam Sezak, for nearly forty years of coaching athletics, teaching physical education and counseling students at UMO. Actually, Sam has been involved in sports activities for about fifty years. The salute was in the form of Sam Sezak Night, held on December 9, 1978, at a restaurant in Orono. Well over 150 sports figures from the news media, members of the Graduate "M" Club and friends of Sam and Ethel enjoyed a memorable evening as speaker after speaker told of his untiring and devoted efforts over so many years toward making undergraduate life so rewarding. The evidence was there for all to see as gift after gift was announced from former students. So much so that Ethel and Sam can travel to California and Florida in style. A fitting tribute to a professional life spent in unselfish service to youth. Well done, Sam.

Elizabeth "Lib" (Livingston) Morse writes that due to ill health, she has moved from her long time home in Winchester, Mass. to "my own cozy home" in Glens Falls, N.Y. There, Lib will be near her niece and three grandchildren. And Dot Gross from Stonington tells us she attended an adult summer session at Principia College in Illinois, taking art and music courses. Hope you all have a most enjoyable winter season wherever you have chosen to spend it!

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Answering my howl of despair in last issue, I had a small deluge, from Muriel (Freeman) Brockway, Jo (Carbone) Beckwith, Harry Paul, Roy Holmes, Charlene and

Smith McIntire, William and Louise Robbins, Laura (Merrill) Burdt (telephone call), Jim Bates, Wheeler Merriam, Dave Hannaburgh, Eleanor (Meacham) and Bob Jenks, Roscoe Masterman, and Herb Trask. Now for a breakdown of what they said.

Muriel wrote about some Bangor newspaper features on the Bangor High girls' teams with Stubby (Burrill) Guyer. Jo and husband are on their way to Florida. (As you throw your 2nd ton of snow, remember that!) Harry told about a White House party, temperature 96, dressed in black tie and tails. Roy's big news was his adventures with a squirrel and bullet holes in his new "glass" storm door. Usual Christmas news from Smith and hoping they will meet everyone at the next Mini-reunion. Win promised me a letter after the holidays, but so far no soap. Myrleen and Jim were on their way to Wellesley for holidays with their daughter and 2 grandsons. Jim Bates visited red head Frances Boynton in Wolfeboro, N.H. last Fall. He also said the Eastport Rotary has established a scholarship in his name (to send students to Europe on advanced study). He also said that 32'ers will be able to go to the next Mini several days ahead and stay in dormitories.

Wheeler said 5 of his 6 world wide children would be with them on Dec. 25th. He also said he wanted to thank all classmates who wrote and called him when he was sick. Dave was invited to South Africa to give a talk on forestry at the Convention of the South African Timber Growers. He traveled widely when there and visited Zulu territory. Eleanor and Bob wrote a long letter on a beautiful black and gold Christmas card. They told about their trip to Israel on the Friendship Flight last Jan. and Feb. The rest of the news was about their work with local AARP, choral groups, tax assistance programs, DAR work, etc. Ross is renewing his youth by attending local college in search of a degree in history! (My major). He sure has ambition and courage. Herb wrote me of Wilfred Davis' death. Right to the end Wilfred was on his hobby, skiing. The last part of the letter described Herb's interesting trip to Yugoslavia. (Hope someone writes me some news for next issue!)

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Class of '33 Foresters please take note: a new named professorship in the University of Maine School of Forest Resources has been announced. Establishment of the endowed chair was made possible through a major gift to the University of Maine Foundation by Mrs. Edwin (Mary Lou) Giddings. The fund set up by her gift will be memorialized as the "Edwin L. Giddings School of Forest Resources Fund" and the holder of the chair will be known as the Edwin L. Giddings Professor of Forest Management. The principal of the gift will remain intact with the income used to support the teaching position. Ed is an associate professor emeritus of forest resources at UMO.

Mary Lou didn't stop with the above gift. Hospital officials at the E.M.M.C. described a major gift of a linear accelerator to the hospital Cancer Center Fund from Mrs. Edwin Giddings as "one of the largest gifts ever received by the medical center." I quote Mary Lou, "My husband Ed and I thank the doctors, nurses and staff of the Tumor Clinic and the Cardiology Section who have given us both wonderful treatment. Without them we would never have had the joy this day brings." Sure makes me proud of these '33 classmates.

Marj (Moulton) Murphy and husband Bill are spending the winter with their son Tom and family in Alamo, CA. Mrs. Charles (Florence Williams) Hayes is now living in Topsham, ME. Evelyn (Gleason) Rawson is busily editing an expanded "Church News," participating in Town Watch and other civic affairs. Her address is 1311 Flat Rock Road, Narbeth, PA 19072. Mr. and Mrs. Stacy (Evelyn Plummer) Miller enjoyed renewing friendships in Norway and Finland this past summer. They enjoyed the daily sauna baths in Finland and remarked that it was the first time they had ever travelled 4,000 miles to take a bath. Luthera (Burton) Dawson toured Europe this past fall. She was in seven countries and did every touristy thing in the book. She is anxious to go back again when the price of a cup of coffee drops below \$1.75 American. Her

twin brother Leroy Burton (forestry) visited her in Thomaston, from his home in Laurel, MI.

What do you think of annual class reunions beginning next June? Let me hear from you — we are not getting any younger, you know.

## Class Reunion, June 1979

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I received two letters in response to my request for news and plans regarding our 45th reunion next June. Dottie (Davis) and Phil Parsons wrote in October to say that they plan to spend the month of June in Maine and to attend the 45th reunion, predicting that it will be a great reunion and a wonderful time. They will contact class members living in California and commented that a shore dinner would be a good idea for part of the program.

Reunion chairman Joe Massaro also wrote in October, saying that plans will be made soon at a meeting with Stan Searles and Pete Karalekas. Carmela Profita will be doing local planning. I quote from Joe's letter, "No excuse will be valid for not attending this reunion as most of us are retired, and time is aplenty. The enjoyment is entirely dependent upon the numbers attending — the more the merrier — and I do mean merrier! Let's see if we can't set a record for the best percentage ever attending a 45th. As for entertainment, I'll have to consult with Hugh Hefner of Playboy to see what we can come up with." The Massaros retired two years ago, spent the first winter in Pinehurst, N.C., and plan to go to Florida this year looking for warm weather for golfing. They spent the summer on Cape Cod at 6 Glenwood Ave., Centerville, MA 02632.

Claire Sanders has been traveling again! This July it was a two week trip to Alaska with Florence Dinsmore.

Natalie Birchall Luey made a short visit to Orono and the campus last summer. Natalie was impressed by the many changes in the area; she missed the Bangor-Orono streetcars, otherwise known as the Veazie Hack!

Alice and Ed Decourcy were breakfast guests recently. They expect to be among those present for the class reunion.

Millie (Haney) Berdeen and I called on Shirley (Young) Brawn at her Camden home last summer, and a Christmas greeting from Shirley brought a special letter for the class notes. Bill and Shirley took a two week tour of continental Europe in October. They flew to Brussels, then to Luxembourg, the Black Forest, Heidelberg, Baden-Baden, and beautiful Lucerne where they rode to the top of Mt. Pilatus high above the clouds and had a view of the Alpine range. At Strasbourg, France they embarked on a cruise ship for three memorable days on the Rhine, which took them past the Lorelei rock and spectacular scenery. From Rotterdam they traveled to Amsterdam, the Zuider Zee with stops at the Klomper (wooden shoe) factory and a cheese factory. Impressive were the Grand Palace at Brussels, Cologne and Strasbourg cathedrals, and the Amsterdam Museum.

I wish space would permit giving you all of Winifred (Cushing) and Jack Harby's Christmas letter. Since moving to Albany, Georgia they have become involved in all that area has to offer: hiking, biking, continuing ed. classes in typing and Spanish, traveling, dancing, theatre-going, exploring, swimming and canoeing. I submit that they are perhaps the most active and versatile couple in our class.

You will be hearing from the reunion committee soon. Meanwhile, set aside the weekend of June 8-10 for the "45th of '34 at Orono."

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Hallelujah! Newsy notes arrived just in time for the holiday deadline. Louise (Hastings) and Oliver Eldridge live in Canaan, Conn. where Oliver keeps busy being a banker. They have two children — a daughter in Washington, D.C. and a son whence came two lovely



grandchildren. Louise and Oliver enjoyed a trip to England. They boned up on their history and English Lit. before they left. Sometimes that is half the fun. Now that they have their travelling shoes they are ready to go back again.

Emery Westcott and Barbara sent greetings and news of their trip to Jacksonville, Fla. to marry off their youngest. Wish I could have seen "the old chemist" as best man!! Betty (Dill) Parsons and Fred decided during last winter's big snowstorm to move south instead of north on retiring. They have built a new home in Centerville, Mass. and are loving it. They took a flying trip to Mexico in January to melt the snow off their shoes. Harold '36 and Henrietta (Cliff) Woodbury both have retired from UMO after 41 years and are living in Sandwich, Mass. The Woodburys and the Parsons could have a mini-reunion.

Bob True retired in February from S.D. Warren Co., Portland after almost 30 years. He is doing consulting work for S.D.W. when it doesn't interfere with his golf. Bob still lives in Portland but spends a few weeks in Florida during March and April. Alan Duff is another retiree. He has been with DuPont these many years. Now Alan is busy with tennis, community theatre and is on the U.S. Olympic Committee. He has signed up to do volunteer consulting in developing countries and has an assignment in Colombia. Alan is also working with the Univ. of Delaware on a foreign aid program. Evelyn "Spec" (Boynton) Pray is the jolly little wanderer of our class. She writes she is heading south and west in her camper. No itinerary, no deadlines, just wandering — somehow that has a lovely ring!

Happy New Year to you all. Make a resolution to keep me posted!

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With this issue we'll put to retirement any and all stories regarding our FABULOUS FORTIETH! However, your scribe will exercise the female prerogative of changing her mind should she think of anything that was overlooked even to the time of our FANTASTIC FORTY-FIFTH, if necessary.

Santa's mail bag brought joyful tidings from Norma (Leuders) Baker who retired last year and who luxuriates in no longer having to arise mornings at five-thirty; Helen (Wong) Huang whose family letter gives highlights of 1978 travels; Bob Plumpton whose prowess as a sharpshooter continues and whose older daughter, Edith, follows in her dad's footsteps, having won five major rifle tournaments in 1978 and having set a new national women's metallic sight record at 100 yards; Dr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Hauck whose card certainly made my spirits soar; Billy Pearlmuter who regretted his and Bea's inability to attend the reunion; and Dunc and Midge (Lynds) Cotting who have finally moved into their new condo on the Little Sarasota Bay where they are enjoying the GOOD LIFE.

Last spring I had a delightful visit at my home with Joe McDonough and his wife, but reunion news prevented my mentioning it sooner. Joe now lives in Waterville and I hadn't seen him since college days; this made our meeting doubly pleasant. I had truly hoped the McDonoughs might make reunion but a few problems made it an impossibility. I have also had telephone conversations with Dr. Ernest Adams, originally from Brewer, who divides his practice of dentistry between his office in Natick, Mass. and another in southern Maine. (Sorry, Ernie, I forgot where!) Ernie's looking ahead to retirement. Belated thanks to Harold McKeen for the card from Cairo, Egypt. Loved receiving it and sorry you missed the reunion. Another pleasant surprise was receiving from Minnie (Brown) Bowden a copy of *People Poems* which she authored and which was published this past year by Hillside Publishers, Orland 04472. Easy reading, thought-provoking and delightful! Thanks, Minnie!

Buzz Sherry, executive vice-president of the Denver Convention and Visitors Bureau, was honored by his peers when he was named secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Convention and Visitors Bureaus at its annual meeting in Washington, D.C. Our own Richard Gerry is half a team of UMO re-

searchers concluding a three-year study which reveals that the inedible portions of scallops and sea clams are relatively high in good quality protein and can be dehydrated and otherwise treated to provide the supplement necessary for good animal feed. While the discovery is a bit ahead of the times, some day the need for animal protein may be great enough to make it economically feasible to salvage such waste products, say the researchers. PEACE AND LOVE!

## 39 Class Reunion, June 1979

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Congratulations to Merwyn Marston of Washington, D.C. who was one of three U of M alumni to receive an award from the U of M School of Forest Resources at ceremonies marking its 75th anniversary as the oldest forestry program in continuous operation in the country. Merwyn is now retired as associate director for fish and wildlife management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Of course you will now have time to join us for our 40th, Toar?

I am saddened to report that Barbara (Grace) Gerrish lost her husband this past summer due to a heart attack. Our deepest sympathy, Barb.

Bill Cumerford, fund raising and public relations executive, has merged his company with American City Bureau/Beaver Associates, and Cumerford Corpora-

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tion is now Southeastern Headquarters of the new concern in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. with Bill as President. A complete run-down of his activities over the years can be found in *Who's Who*. He hopes to make it to our 40th.

Christmas messages from classmates brought little in the way of promises to return for our big date in June. Your Executive Committee met at Bob Branhall's home in November. Earle Reed flew his plane down from Portland, bringing Helen Philbrook and Spike along, too. Harry Halliday, Carl Toothaker and myself arrived under our own steam — not nearly as glamorous as the rest! It was a fun meeting and we are all very enthusiastic about our upcoming get-together and just hope we can get messages to you all to convince you to join us. See you ALL in June! Please!

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Sorry to miss the last issue but at deadline time we were involved in our best news note. Our first grandchild, Steven Miles Greenberg arrived Sept. 23rd to brighten the home of our Susan and Larry. The recent holiday season was a joy at our house. Now for other notes provided by the Alumni Office clipping service and a few notes on greeting cards.

The late Andrew "Bill" Gavett was honored by the Orono-Old Town Kiwanis Club with the "Kiwanis Recognition of Service Award." (See also "In Memoriam").

Robert B. Robertson, M.D. has been practicing medicine in the Red Bank, N.J. area for the past 27 years. His specialty is ear, nose and throat. He had a

bit of an adventure last winter. He was driving home along the seafont near Seabright when a telephone pole washed over the seawall just ahead. As he opened the car door to see about navigating around the obstruction, a wave hit filling the car with water. Bob exited via a window and walked the rest of the way home through waist high water and dived, clothes and all, into a hot tub.

John Marsh is serving as Selectman of Washington, Conn. Doug Carr since retiring as plant engineer of Uniroyal has become an expert locksmith and has become manager of The Lock Shop in North Conway, N.H. Ann Perry Braun now has 5 grandchildren and is still teaching at Bangor High. Fred George Johnson, D.M.D. has been living and practicing dentistry in Sudbury, Mass. He is now making the transition to innkeeper in Searsport, Me. where he and his wife have purchased the Homeport Inn on East Main Street. Dal McPherson has retired from N.E. Telephone and is living in Gorham, Me. He is engaged in a second career in art and writing. Several of his paintings have been sold and his writing has been published in several national magazines as well as a photography column in the *New York Times*.

Wendell Eaton retired as superintendent of Bangor Schools last October. Jo Freeman Mundt is continuing her political activity with her efforts to return Howard Baker from Tennessee to the U.S. Senate as well as her dedication to serving several nights a month with CONTACT, a loving, listening ear via telephone to the lonely and troubled.

Alice Ann Donovan Poepelmeier and family have relocated to Menlo Park, Cal. for the next three years. She and Vin entertained Harold "Doc" Gerrish at dinner recently. Doc is V.P. of Pacific Telephone.

Virginia Tuttle Merrill has retired from teaching and is much involved in genealogical research. She serves as librarian for the Maine Genealogical Society.

If I seem to use repeater names in our 1940 news notes it may be that they send me the news. Don't be bashful, take the light from off your bushel. We are all interested.

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It was a pleasure to talk recently with John B. Dearborn, President of Ansonia Derby Water Co. of Connecticut, who has been a summer resident in our area for 22 years. Of his three children, one is married, another teaches at Mt. Holyoke, and the third is a student. He mentioned seeing Connie (Philbrook) Leger and Nancy Philbrook in Shelburne, NH, at Philbrook Farm Inn, which keeps the proprietors working hard. A welcome note from Ruth (Reed) Cunn reveals that she has sold her home in Florida and has moved back to Waterville, Me., with an apartment at 18½ Center St. She says it's "great to be back home." Enjoying the best of both worlds is Charles J. Arbor, retired now for three years, who spends winters in Jupiter, Fla., and summers at Moosehead. With golf, fishing and other interests, he "lives each day to the fullest" — a great philosophy, n'est-ce pas?

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Paul Bartlett, Col. Ret. USAF, 8810 Stark Rd., Annandale, VA 22003, is a neighbor of Don's brother, Fred '56 and wife, Ellen (Simpson) '55 Griffiee. Paul underwent open heart surgery this past year and, like Don, is feeling great and experiencing a new life.

Christmas cards brought welcome news from far and near. Cortna (Kingsley) and Paul '41 Billings plan to go to the South Seas (Pacific Isles, N.Z. and Australia) in Feb. Louis and Arlene (Rodman) Boyle visited in Maine last Summer and saw Larry and Mary (Cowan) Leavitt and Barbara (Perry) and Pete Hess. At Homecoming Barbara saw Wally and Marnie (Moore) '45 Francis, Homer and Janice Woodward and Dorothy (Brewer) and Gordon '43 Erikson. The Leavitts spent a week in Bermuda last Spring and loved it. Mary also saw a picture in *Bangor Daily News* of Warren Randall and daughter, Ellen, at U of M Parents Day.



Jo (Blake) and Don '43 Bail spent Christmas holidays in Hawaii with daughter, Judi and Stan. They spent the month of July cruising downeast in the *Bailiwick*. Another couple off to Hawaii at Thanksgiving were Henry and Ruth Gabe to visit their first grandchild, Jeremy Stephen Gabe. Henry completed 30 years with G.E. and is still at it. Retirement? Not while he's healthy and happy. Darrell Pratt writes that the golfing season in Orono isn't nearly long enough. Should have stayed in Florida, Darrell! Violet (Hamilton) and Bob O'Donoghue moved from Dallas, Texas to P.O. Box 177, Candler, FL 32624 last Fall to run their orange grove. They enjoyed seeing the Boyles while in Dallas.

John and Helen Glover are now grandparents of five. The newest are twins and one of twins their first grandson. They visit Orono frequently as John's mother, Edith (Ingraham) Glover '17 has returned to the family home there.

Also had greetings from Dick and Janet Sinclair, Bette (Barker) and Gil Taverner, Barbara (Savage) and Tom Thompson, Art and Florence (Cousins) Worster, Wilfred and Betty Butterfield and John and Millie Bower.

Would like to hear from some of you we've been out of touch with. Write me and get your name in the news!

**43** Don and Olive Taverner  
10 Cushman Street  
Augusta, ME 04330

Christmas greetings brought newsy note from John Radley, Niantic, CT, who missed the 35th Reunion, being on the west coast at the time. While there he had a dinner visit with Dan Snell and wife, June, of Temple City, CA. Reports Dan is doing well in the real estate business. John is board mill supt. at Robertson Paper Box Co., Montville, CT.

John Chadwick was elected to a fifth term on the Augusta (ME) Board of Education in November. John has served on several community and state educational committees, and is a state entomologist with the Maine Bureau of Forestry. John and Thelma have two daughters and make their home in Augusta.

Bing Etzel reports from Farmington, ME that he and Lib (Emery) '44 have retired and are loving it. Bing was 25 years in retail merchandising and real estate operations and states that if he knew how enjoyable retirement was to be, he would have retired upon graduation in '43!

Mary Crossman Chase, reports from Falmouth, ME that after many years as a librarian in Sharon and Norton, MA, she is pleased to now be the elementary school librarian in New Gloucester, ME. Mary recently visited with Norma Gray Dodge of South Portland.

From Blacksburg, VA comes word from Torie MacKenzie Chappell that she is Assistant State Supervisor, School Food Service, VA Dep't. of Education. In Blacksburg, she also sees Dr. Enid Tozier who is on the faculty of Virginia Poly Tech.

## **44 Class Reunion, June 1979**

Frank P. Gilley  
Tip Top Farm  
Box 177, RFD #1  
Brewer, Maine 04412

As I write this column it looks like it will be a not so white Christmas, but the weatherman says snow on the way tomorrow. Here in eastern Maine we had a great fall with warmer weather than usual.

In mid-November I had occasion to be in the Nahant area and had a chance to talk to John Suminsby who lives with wife, Doris, daughter, Linda and son, David in Wenham. John has been with General Electric in Lynn since graduation. In a recent Christmas card John promises that they will attend our 35th next June. We'll hold you to that John.

I have asked Carol Irvine Adams and Harvey Hillson to work with me as a committee to plan for the 35th. We hope to get a preliminary letter out soon and would appreciate any ideas you may have to make this a memorable occasion.

Gerald Tabenken has been re-elected as President of the National Beer Wholesalers Assoc. of America. At a pre-Christmas party I had the pleasure of chatting

with Jerry for awhile. He was heading for a White House meeting the following week in his capacity as member of the White House Conference on Small Business. Congratulations Jerry.

We have a note that Henry Honeyman III and Miss Mary Francis White were married in Providence recently. Henry is employed by United Engineers in Springfield, Mass. Best wishes to you and your bride, Henry.

In August there appeared in the *Maine Sunday Telegram* an interesting feature article about Florence and Mary Boone and their sister, Ethel. Florence and Mary are retired school teachers and the three sisters have a mobile home with which they have covered all the states except Hawaii and also have covered most of Canada. Mary says "We'll drive to Hawaii as soon as they build a bridge." Sounds great girls. Best of luck to you.

Last Saturday Mary Ellen and I had a very pleasant evening as guests of the Black Bear Club at the U of M. After a delightful buffet at the Oronoka we went



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to the Northeastern-U.M. basketball game and at half time your personals editor was installed as an honorary member of the "M" club along with 15 others. The only fault with the evening was that Maine lost a close decision to Northeastern.

Sam Sezak and Bert Pratt have done a fine job with the Black Bear Club and the "M" Club. As a result Maine is doing a fine job in athletics and is winning a national reputation. I enjoy my work with this group and recommend it to all members of '44.

In conclusion let's all plan on getting together on the weekend of June 8-9 to celebrate our 35th. Would be glad to hear from any and all members of '44.

**45** Mrs. Russell Bodwell  
(Barbara Higgins)  
87 Scudders Lane  
Glen Head, NY 11545

Always look forward to the letters in the Christmas cards and some news to share with you. I'd say from

the news that most of us are doing the same things: we are empty nesters waiting for the gathering of the clan for the holidays. Like Bob and Babs (Haines) Pan-coast expecting family from San Francisco, Memphis and Philly where daughter, Judy '71, is completing her MBA at Wharton. Babs is president of the women's group at her church, an officer in AAUW and coordinator for American Cancer Society volunteers at the local hospital. I'll bet you needed those three weeks in Britain last summer.

Secondly we're busy watching our young folk spread their wings as Ginny (Tufts) '46 and Joe Chaplin report that son Jim '71 was recently promoted Supervisor for the Dept. of Human Services in the Child Protective Division and that son Bill '73 has returned to Auburn, Me. to work for TEK Bearing Co. Following dad's footsteps? Daughter Anne Gould making it three graduates of UM last June with Sally busy college shopping. How about making it #4? And last but not least, becoming grandparents. The Grants even held up their report card to report the latest, Bradley Chase Osborn born Dec. 14th to Linda Bradley Osborn '69. Ralph, it is good to hear that you have returned to your chosen profession as Food Service Director at Augusta General Hospital. Carolyn Chaplin Grant is still dietician at Mercy Hospital in Portland. They figure they travel 40,000 miles a year in opposite directions commuting to work from their new home "High on a Windy Hill," 25 Cherry Vale Circle, Auburn, ME 04210.

After homecoming I had a chance to talk with Doris Emery Spencer while in Bar Harbor and learned she has 4 grandchildren all living close by. She is still teaching and she and Frank have a daughter still living at home. She mentioned other classmates from there and we would love further news about you, Joyce (McLean) Mahler in Brimfield, MA and also Janet (McFarland) Law. How is retirement at Winter Park, FL? Let's fill in the blanks!

**46** Mrs. William L. MacDonald  
(Helen Boulter)  
117 Harthorn Ave.  
Bangor, Maine 04401

How wonderful to hear from so many of you '46ers! Keep it up, I love it!

Hazel (Nutt) and Everett Spear are the proud parents of six children: Anne, a physical therapist in New Haven, Conn.; Bonnie O'Day, '76, married and teaching in Keene, N.H.; Ruth, '78, a child development worker for the state; Liz, a junior majoring in law enforcement at U. of New Haven; and two teen-age sons, Everett 3rd, a junior in high school and Bill, a freshman. Sounds like a really great family, doesn't it? Jean (Thompson) Neiley wrote that they recently sold their town house and moved to Silver Lake, Penn. where they have winterized their cottage. Jean is director and teacher of a nursery school for 75 three and four year olds. What a great teacher! "Tommie" must be! Jean and her husband have three grown-up children: Rog, their oldest, who works and travels for a ski company; Andrea, who planned to graduate from Cornell in December; and Chris, the youngest, happily married and settled in the area.

Kay (Ward) Woodworth writes that she is a school psychologist in North Andover, Mass. and loves having time to travel and do the things she enjoys. She visited England, Scotland and Wales this past summer. Kay has two daughters, Paula and Jane, as well as, two grandsons who, Kay says, are really gorgeous! Pat (Stickney) Davis and husband, Don, are planning a trip to California with the U of M baseball charter flight in March. While there, they plan to visit their daughter, Mrs. Jack (Donna) Chuirazzi '71. What a fun way to travel! Barbara (Hyde) Bently wrote that she is a legal secretary in Boston. She has a summer home at Popham Beach, Maine where she really enjoys "puttering around" and taking color slides in the wonderful Maine sea air. Barbara mentioned that Carolyn (Andy Cavett) Gordon now lives in the state of Washington with husband, Flash, and their son and daughter.

Lawrence C. Hadley, superintendent of the Cape Cod National Seashore, plans to retire in February. Retiring after a 28 year career, Lawrence and his wife, Mary Helen, intend to return to Bar Harbor, ME. Charles Hass sends word that he is busy teaching defensive driving throughout the state of Maine for the Maine Dept. of Transportation. He also trains



instructors. *Eleanor (Downs) Ferree* is an office manager for State Farm Insurance. She would love to hear from any classmates. Her address is: Mrs. A.T. Ferree, 1108 Denarvaez Ave., Bradenton, Fla. 33505.

Guess I will have to save the rest of the items for another column. It's wonderful to have news of so many of you, so please keep those letters coming!

**47** Mrs. George Marsanskas  
(Barbara McNeil)  
29 Miller Street  
Belfast, ME 04915

While visiting at UMO last fall, it was a pleasure to be greeted by *Phyllis (Pendleton) Bragg*, who now lives in Amherst, MA and who is working part-time at the First National Bank. *Phyllis* was accompanied by her son, *John Jr.*, who is a senior at Amherst Regional High, and who was considering attending UMO next year. Her daughter *Bonnie* is married to *Sandy Johnson*, both '72 graduates of UMO. He is serving as minister in Ashfield, MA. Daughter *Lynn* is married and attends URI. Daughter *Betsy* is married and lives in Newton, MA, and daughter *Judy* is at U. Mass.

*Arnold Hedlund* reports that he has bought a saltwater farm at Newbury Neck, Surry. However, until he becomes acclimated to Maine winters, he intends to live in New Orleans, during the colder months. *Jeanette (Nadeau) Miccniati* reports a new address: 130 Countryside Lane, Orchard Park, NY 14127. *Jeanette* is now teaching undergraduate and graduate reading classes at SUNY at Buffalo. *Charles L. Carpenter* sends word that he has a new address, 28 Hampshire Drive, Mendham, NJ 07945. *Charlie* is working as manager of the Northeast Air Power Sales Region of Ingersoll-Rand Co. in Piscataway, NJ. The *Carpenters* have a son, *Charles D.* who is now a freshman at UMO, following four years in the marines.

A newsy note arrived from *Lillian Michaud* who is retired from teaching at U. of M. at Fort Kent, and is spending her winters in Florida and her summers in Maine. Sounds ideal! Her Florida address is 4314 N.W. 54th Street, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33319.

**49** Class Reunion, June 1979  
Mrs. Bernard Rimes  
RFD #4  
Gorham, ME 04038

Several address changes head the list for this issue. *Clyde Adams*, after 28 years of U.S. government service (19 in our foreign aid program), is retiring. *Clyde* has been an agriculturist involved in planning, administering and evaluating agricultural projects. He has served in Turkey, Kenya, Pakistan, Washington, D.C., Ethiopia, Yemen, Arab Republic, and the University of Arizona. After January 15 *Clyde* and his wife will be at 3433 North Treat Ave., Tucson, Arizona 85716. Since their five children all reside in the Tucson area, it appears that Maine's loss is Arizona's gain.

The Rev. *Evan Johnson* and *June (Swanton)* '48 have moved from Brockton, Mass. to 37 Hancock St., Auburndale, MA 02166. *June* continues to teach biology at Brockton High and *Evan* is pastor of Centenary Methodist Church while also working on a Doctor of Ministries degree at Andover-Newton Seminary. *Richard Perkins*, still with Sylvania I believe, has moved from South Windham to P.O. Box 71, Nobleboro, ME 04555.

*Richard Denison* has been named to the Board of Directors of Norway National Bank. *Donald Collins* has been elected Chairman of the Board of Aroostook Trust Company in Caribou. A newsletter from U. of Machias reminds us that classmate *Arthur Buswell* serves that institution as President. *Art* is also consultant to U.S. Office of Education in Community Service and Continuing Education, and president of the Higher Education Council of Maine. Finally, *Thelma (Crossland) Robie* and husband, the Rev. Frederick Robie, Jr., have returned from a 10 day trip to England, the gift of the North Parish Congregational Church in Sanford of which he is pastor, in recognition of his 25 years in the ministry.

In preparation for our 30th reunion in June, I've been reviewing notes and looking at the 25th Anniversary picture taken in 1974. I wish the rest of you 700+ class members could be in our 30th picture! Just a reminder to the following: Class President is *Harry Treworgy*, Vice President is *Richard Meserve*, Secretary is yours truly, Treasurer is *Evelyn (Ellsworth) Dearborn*, Class Agent is *H. Douglas Collins, M.D.* The Executive Committee consists of *Vance Dearborn*, *Carroll Taylor*, *Julba (Shores) Hahnel* and *Philip Craig*. See you all in June!

**50** Mrs. Daniel Needleman  
(Frances R. Lubovitz)  
56 Clearwater Rd.  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02167

The New Hampshire Soccer Coaches Assn. recently named *Carl Hill* "Coach of the Year" in Division AA. This was the third time that *Carl* has been so honored by the NHSCA. He was also twice named coach of the year by the New Hampshire sportscasters and sportswriters. Before becoming Athletic Director and Soccer Coach at Kearsage Regional High School, he had coached championship teams in basketball and baseball. *Carl* has served as president of the NHSCA and is currently a member of the NHIAA Soccer Committee. He will join forces with *Jim Field* of Sunapee to coach the New Hampshire team in the Fourth Annual New Hampshire-Vermont Lions Twin State Soccer Cup Match.

*Bryant L. Hopkins, Jr.* of Leominster, Mass. has joined Simplex Time Recorder Co. as a mechanical engineer. A member of the National Society of Professional Engineers, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, *Bryant* was previously product engineer at Design Technology Corp. in Burlington. *Verne L. McDonald* has been named Assistant to the President at Champlain College in Burlington, Vt. *Verne* will continue in his present capacity as Director of Admissions, but will take on special presidential assignments in addition. He has also been part-time instructor at University of Vermont. *Verne* is past president of the Vermont Business Teachers Assn. and the Montpelier Kiwanis Club.

President of Depositors Trust Co. of Augusta, *Carlton McGary* has been elected President of the Maine Bankers Assn. A director of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce and a member of the planning committee of the Colby Institute for Management, he is a member of the Development Council at UMO. *Donald Mitchell* has been named Vice-President for Marketing and Planning of the products group of General Telephone & Electronic Corp. in which capacity he will be responsible for the overall direction of strategic planning as well as the formulation

and implementation of marketing policies on a world-wide basis. Prior to joining GTE, he was president of Plessey, Inc. and earlier was president of the Microelectronics Group of Rockwell International as well as having held various executive positions with Raytheon and General Dynamics.

On a creative note, *Joseph Oppenheim* writes that he is planning to take a course in science fiction writing at the Florida Institute of Technology. A member of the executive committee since 1976, *Herbert Peterson* of Osterville, Mass. has been elected a vice-president of the Mass. Safety Council's executive committee. *Herbert* is engineering manager, Northeast Division of American Mutual Liability Insurance Co. As a member of the American Society of Safety Engineers, he is also chairman of the R.I. Elevator Code Advisory Committee. Having held several government positions in the Washington, D.C. area, *Frank Potenzo* returned to Maine as District Manager of Equitable Life Assurance Society with whom he recently celebrated 25 years service. *Frank* and *Beatrice (Dolan)* have three children, including *JoAnne* who is a sophomore at UMO. The election of *Eldredge Sparrow* of South Orleans, Mass. as chairman of the board of directors of the Hyannis Co-operative Bank, the largest co-operative bank in Massachusetts, has been announced. A registered land surveyor, he is owner of the Arthur Sparrow Co., a surveying and engineering firm founded by his late father. *Eldredge* is a former director of the Cape Cod Bank & Trust Co. He and *Jeannie* and their three children will soon take up residence in East Dennis. Among the 1978 New England Dairyman Award winners is *Harold Thurston, Jr.*, the top dairy farmer of Maine. He and *Clara* have very successfully managed their Riverside Farm in North Fryeburg since 1973 having installed several innovations for which they have been cited.

Another banker of note is *Albert Wautt, Jr.* recently appointed Vice-President and senior loan officer of Merchants National Bank of Bangor. *Albert* was previously chief executive officer of United Canal Bank and earlier spent several years at the prestigious State Street Bank & Trust Co. in Boston. A resident of Orono, he has been involved in several community organizations including the Bangor Symphony Orchestra and the Orono Development Committee. With a broad background of 19 years in the securities industry, *Donald Waring* has been named Sales vice president of Loeb, Rhoades, Hornblower and Co. at their Bangor office. Former mayor of Brewer, *Don* has been associated with Moseley, Hallgarten & Estabrook for several years.

Congratulations to one and all and sincere wishes for a very happy and healthy New Year. I'm off to Washington to attend meetings at the Library of Congress on a proposed computerized national bibliographic network. I wouldn't dare leave town before sending in my class notes. Now for such loyalty how about sending me a note about you?

**51** Nancy W. Sears  
16 Oak St.  
Wellesley, MA 02181

I am sorry to say that I have little news to report, but I cannot let another column go by without extending our class sympathies to the families of *Irwin Charles Carson* and *Sally Gass Saltzman*, both of whom died during this past year.

Please get your pens in hand everyone, and send me some news for our next column!

**53** Mrs. Janet LeBlanc  
(Janet Hanna)  
Box 402  
Newport, ME 04953

*Robert F. Scott* of Winthrop, Maine, senior vice president for Customer Services and Rates of Central Maine Power Company has been elected to the utility's Board of Directors.

*Joyce (Jackson) Daily* is teaching in Pittsfield, Maine. *Joyce* and I run into each other once in a while and review old and new times.

A letter from *Ron Bishop* two weeks ago asked for our fellow classmates to "spring loose with a continuing flow of news." I strongly agree with *Ron*. My old mail box hates to be empty. Please write and let us all know where you are and what you are doing!



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**54** Mrs. Preston W. Hall  
22 Townsend Drive  
West Boylston, MA 01583

E. Bromley Street has been appointed Corporate Director of Material for Harris Corporation of Melbourne, Florida. Booker Associates Inc. of Lexington, Kentucky has named Courtney F. Porter senior vice president.

Reunion plans are well underway. There will be the Alumni Dinner, Class Dinner, and daytime activities on Saturday. We are asking our classmates to write with suggestions about reaching as many members of our class as possible. Contacts can be made through fraternity, dormitory, organizational associations. If you would like a list of the class members in your area, write to me and I will forward a list to you.

Some class members that have written or talked to me about trying to come back for reunion are: Barbara (Wigger) Carville, Elizabeth (Leighton) Davis, Claire (Lynch) Madden, Joan (Leach) Davis, Joan (Reed) Butler, Peggy (Thompson) Homans, Judy (Leighton) Atwater. Peggy and her committee of friends are doing a lot of the work from the Bangor area. Start making your plans now! Hope to see lots of classmates for our twenty-fifth!

**55** Hilda Sterling  
472 Apple Valley Drive  
Belford, NJ 07718

Ginny (Sargent) Gowen, 40 Suzanne Drive, Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801, would like to hear from M.M.C. graduate nurses who are interested in getting together with the gals from E.M.G. this summer.

Diana (Springer) Gordon is now Director of Patient Relations at Eastern Maine Medical Center, Bangor.

Howard Danner, pastor of the Ebenezer United Church of Christ, Lincoln, Nebraska, officiated at the November 22 marriage of his third son, Mark Howard. His oldest son, John, a student at the Bangor Theological Seminary and student pastor of the Congregational Church, Temple, delivered the morning sermon at his dad's church the following Sunday.

Ray Cross has been named vice president and general manager, eastern region, of the Garden State Paper Company, Inc., of Saddle Brook. We welcome the Cross clan to New Jersey!

The Durst family — Ted, Ruth (Dow), Terri, Rick, Larry and Mike — shared their comings and goings via a newsy holiday letter. Ted continues his work for

the Federal Environmental Protection Agency while Ruth is a licensed day care parent.

Robert H. Smith, chief environmental engineer in the sanitary engineering division, has been promoted to chief engineer for the Maine operations of Wright-Pierce, an engineering and architectural firm. He is a member of the Consulting Engineers of Maine and the American Consulting Engineers Council and currently serves as treasurer of the corporation. The parents of four daughters, Bob and his wife, Pat, live at 14 White Street, Topsham 04086.

**56** Mrs. Eben B. Thomas  
(Susan S. Stiles)  
5 Spruce Street  
Winthrop, Maine 04364

With pure delight I write this night,  
For classmates far and near,  
Have heard my sighs and all my pleas  
And responded thus with these!

Jay S. Hindley, plant engineer for Hindley Mfg. Co., Inc. of Cumberland, R.I., was a recent candidate for the Chepachet School Board. Hope successfully. Foster Shibles has been re-elected Supt. of Schools for SAD 17 of the Paris, Maine area. Tom Mahaney is a guidance counselor in the SAD 47 system in Oakland. Tom has both his Master's degree and his Certificate for Advanced Study from U. of M. Ann Hall Birkholz received her Master of Arts, Education from Cal. State Polytechnic Univ., Pomona, Cal. last June.

Harold and Cal (Gerald) Hotham, 1 Church St., Clinton 04927, raise potatoes and children: Larry (20) and Tracy (18). Cal is proprietor of a dollhouse and miniature shop called Snowflake Miniatures. (Best wishes on new venture.) Cal's letter included these long lost classmates: Paul and Patty (Damour) Jones of Dixfield have Scott (21) and Russell (19). Paul is night general supervisor for Boise Cascade while Patty is a jr. high language arts teacher. Anne (Clark) Kuntz and hubby John have a farm in Lisbon, Iowa and, Carol (21), Alan (19), Linda (15), and Sharon (12). Alan and Frances (Chummy Hanson) Hamilton of Dixfield have Jeff (19), Greg (17), and Kim (12). Alan's the Technical Supervisor, Paper, at Boise Cascade in Rumford. John and Jo (Sturtevant) McKenzie, Oakland, have Terry (17), Kevin (16), and Mike (15). John's in guidance; Jo's in phys. ed.

Carl and Margaret (Stewart) Perkins live in Bucksport. Daughter Carla is married, Vicki is engaged, and Mark is 9. Many thanks. Richard T. and Dena Ackerman, Chasanna Drive, Rutland, VT. 05701, have Patty (18), John (17), and Steve (13). Richard's with

the Lands section of the Green Mountain National Forest and Dena teaches Home Ec at Rutland H.S. Edward and Suzanne (Audette) MacGibbon (9 Martha Dr., Derry, N.H. 03038) write that Ed is N.E. Sales Mgr. for the Gol-Pak Corp. (a portion control meat company) and they enjoy Kendall (21), Kevin (20), Kyle (18), Karl (15), Kim (12), and Kris (10). Charles and Jane (Wiseman) Johnston still claim Kristen (16) and Gregory (12). Watch for Jane's new book (not yet written) called "The Joy of NOT Cooking" or "How I Fed a Family of Four on \$2.99 a Week."

Dave and Pam Trask still love Oregon and their Steve, Sue, and Diana. Merle and Eleanor (Ticky Turner) Noyes, Frenchtown, N.J. 08825 are enjoying (!) the empty nest as Cindy and Ron are both in college. Richard and Arlanne (MacDonald) Snodgrass with Lori, Rick, Amy, Paul and Kerri threw a big bash for mother Amy's 200th birthday (125 years early) in December in Daytona Beach, Fla. Hans A. Van Leer has been actually round the world in '78 for E. Holzer, Inc. and has eaten off "banana leaves" and avoided the trouble in Iran. He's headed for the Far East again, hopefully China. Safe journey, Hans, for at home are Jim (21), and Lynn (18).

Delighted to see so many sons and daughters in college, receiving honors and being outstanding athletes, and just good citizens. We parents can be proud of them all. Look at the '56 stock they came from.

Oh — it was a good year!

**57** Mrs. Lewis S. Janicola  
(Marjorie Livingston)  
3 Long Bow Lane  
Commack, NY 11725

Robert T. Marshall of Yarmouth has been elected corporate vice-president, industrial relations, of John J. Nissen Baking Company. Robert joined the Nissen organization following several years' employment with the Western Electric Co. in New York, Cushman Baking Co. in Portland, and Shrafft Candy in Boston. Bruce Whitney writes that he, wife Joyce, and 8-year old daughter Renee live in their dream home on Horseback Road, Anson, ME. Bruce is a registered soil scientist with New England soil consultants involved primarily in southern coastal and N.W. mountain lakes land development projects. They vacation at a newly built chalet on Otter Pond in Mayfield Plantation. Donald L. Whitten of Augusta has been named engineer-in-charge of Maine's Department of Transportation town and highway program. In his new position, Donald will be responsible for the administration of statewide programs including special state aid highway construction, town road improvement program, and reimbursement to towns for winter snow plowing. Working for the D.O.T. during vacation periods while a student at UMO, he joined full time following graduation.

Gloria Thorpe Bangs writes that she and Dick '56 recently joined seven fraternity brothers (Lambda Chi Alpha) and wives for a party in Reading, MA. Gloria noted that this group is an example (some had not seen one another for 22 years) of how well Maine grads hold their age!

Gardiner A. Hall president of Hall Carriage House, 482 Congress St., Portland, has purchased Fessenden's, the 129 year-old card and stationery store at 94 Free Street. Fessenden's dates back to 1849, when it started business on Center Street. A famous worker at Fessenden's was Cyrus H.K. Curtis of the Saturday Evening Post.

Mary Jane (Kilpatrick) Hussey completed her M.S. degree at Rutgers October '77 and became a registered dietician (American Dietetic Assoc. accreditation) in April '78. She is employed as a clinical nutritionist at Perth Amboy General Hospital. Ever industrious, Mary Jane is currently teaching a course at Rutgers. Gorham '54 is still at Armour Food Co. where he is eastern area vice president. Their son, Pete, is busy looking at colleges and thinks Dartmouth looks good. Pat Wade became Mrs. Richard Palmer on August 19, 1978. Currently Pat is teaching sixth grade and taking a grad course. Son Charlie is attending B.U. where his interest lies in English and art. Diane is working in Boston. The Palmers plan a trip to Kenya and Tanzania in February. They promise many pictures of game animals. It is always such a joy to hear from classmates first hand. Make a New

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Year's resolution and drop me that line you've been meaning to write.

**58** Mrs. Leo M. Lazo  
49 Martin Street  
West Roxbury, Mass. 02132

Lois (Perkins) Martin has been named as Managing Editor of the *Marshfield Mariner*. Lois, who has been with the paper since 1972, was appointed Assistant Editor in 1977. Lois, Richard and sons Brian, a junior at UMass at Amherst; Andrew, an MHS senior; and Terrence, an 8th grade student are at home at 444 Forest St., Marshfield. The Stuart Tacys (Betty Ann Boyson) have moved to Fairhaven, NJ 07701, and may be found along with their three children at 99 Lewis Pt. Rd. William F. Lynch was a candidate for the Cheshire County Commission seat from Keene, N.H. Bill, who is Executive Vice President of the Clark Insurance Agency, Inc., is a member of the Keene Lions Club, the Keene Housing Authority, chairman of the Keene Community Block Grant Committee, member of the Monadnock United Way, and was formerly state legislator from Keene's Ward 1. Bill feels that county government needs individuals to participate in the updaung and planning of county operations and is the main reason he tried for the Commission seat.

A group of 50 Oregon residents spent a day at the White House, meeting with and being briefed by President Carter, Vice President Mondale, and security advisor Brezinski. Among those in attendance was our own Irv Fletcher, Executive Secretary, Lane County Labor Council AFL-CIO. New address for the John Arey (Judy Clayter) family is 1207 Vinal Rd., Rockville, 04841. Judy says they made the big move from Vinalhaven this year. She is an associate teacher in Jefferson, grades 3 and 4. Jodie, John, Julie, and Jason, are all in attendance at the Camden-Rockport schools and are getting very well adapted to mainland living. A note from Sandra (Daley) Denman tells me that hubby, Don, is opening new law offices as of January 1. He will leave sometime after that first of the year on a seven week tour as a group leader with the Rotary Group Study Exchange Program in Queensland, Australia. Patty (Clapp) Gray tells me that she has been attending UMO for the past two years on a part time basis followed by a year's internship at EMMC in Medical Technology. This past August she finished, passed her exams, and now writes M.T. after her name. At the present time, she is working at the Blue Hill Hospital.

Robert and Peggy Carmichael write that Bob is now Athletic Director at Bucksport High. Says it seemed rather odd to stay on the sidelines this past fall, but really had fun bringing his new granddaughter along. Son Robbie is carrying on in dad's footsteps at UMO playing football. A card from Dave and Nancy (Wakley) Schlieper reports that they are now stationed at Ft. Devens, MA 01433 at 67B Elm St. The Schliepers have built a chalet in Bethel and Nancy says this allows them to spend more time with their UMO stu-

dents. She is also busy planning for a June wedding. (The more messages I receive—the older I get). Sylvia (Gadare) and Jack Koehler are now back in Massachusetts living at 15 Centre St. in Yarmouth Port 02675. Jack is now pastor of a fairly large Congregational Church there. Syl says the welcome mat is always out for any of us who make it to the Cape.

### Class Reunion, June 1979

**59** Mrs. Robert T. Munson  
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Happy '79 to all you '59ers! Remember that this is it — our reunion year! Hope that as many of you as possible are planning to attend. If not, some time before June, why not plan to drop a line to me or Mary Ellen Bradford (Sea Meadows Lane, Cousins Island, R.R. #1, Box 324A, Yarmouth 04096. Tell us what you've been doing, send pictures or whatever. We'll try to compile a scrapbook of communications from as many classmates as possible and have it at reunion.

And now some news — I enjoyed hearing from quite a few classmates at Christmas. Everyone seems to be leading active and involved lives. Merrill (Warren) Clukey works for H&R Block in Lewiston during tax season. Husband Paul is a veterinarian. They have a daughter who is a freshman in college and a son in H.S. Sally (Kyle) Rooney is teaching part-time at Unity College and enjoys camping and canoeing with husband Fred and their three children. John and Ellie Day report from Maryland that they continue to love the lives of farmers. Joan (Dow) Scott writes from Knoxville, Tennessee that she continues to be active in the Knoxville Dietetic Association, as well as activities involving her two children: PTA, Girl Scouts, etc. Muffy (Campbell) Murphy, living in Spokane, Washington leads a busy life involved on the Board of Directors of a boys' ranch and other special committees, playing lots of tennis, skiing and keeping up with three active sons and her husband. Pat (Benner) and Frank Kennan have moved to a new home at 1105 Dapple Grey Court, Great Falls, VA 22066 and are enjoying life in the Washington area. Also new to the same area are Pat (Stiles) and Joe Cuccaro who are adjusting to Washington life after their four year stay in Europe. Their new address is 5224 Portsmouth Rd., Country Club View, Fairfax, VA 22032. James Blatchford, living in Lynn, Mass. has recently joined the Arlington Trust Co. in Lawrence as a vice-president in the commercial loan department.

Looking forward to seeing YOU in Orono in June!

**61** Mrs. William S. Wilson  
(Mart Andersen)  
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Hampden Highlands, ME 04445

A letter from Eugene Boutillier and his wife Joyce (Kemp) '49 tells us of their move to the Minneapolis

area in 1976. "Boot" works at the Data Processing Division of IBM and Joyce works part time as an R.N. They have four children, all of whom graduated this past year. Susan has an R.N. degree, Scott a B.S. in Entomology from U. of Idaho, Glenn a Ph.D. in Chemistry from U. of Florida, and Kathy graduated from high school. Their address is 6025 Erin Terrace, Edina, MN 55435. I wonder if they ever see Jean (Campbell) Foster, a '48er who lives in the same town? Our sympathy goes to Barbara (Sullivan) Knowlton on the death of her husband and our classmate this summer in Waterville. Chester Darling sent a note this month. Their son Rudy and wife are in California while Ruth and Wendy are in Denver. Chet and his wife Hazel are at 51 Beckwith Dr., Plainville, CT 06062. My thanks for these letters. Keep the post-cards coming. This is your column.

**62** Mrs. Frank Zito  
(Diane Ingalls)  
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As some of you may have read in the last issue of the *Alumnus*, the University will have a new Black Bear statue to replace the one that our class donated in '62. The class wants to thank the estate of the late Wallace Humphrey '32 for this generous gift. The wooden statue had to be dismantled in 1975 because of damage and will now be replaced by an eight-foot tall bronze bear.

Letters have been nice and newsy this time. Ginny (Cushman) Ferrara writes from Albuquerque, N.M. where she is Assistant District Attorney for Bernalillo County. Most of her trial work thus far has been with child abuse cases although she does write that she has also had a few murder cases. She stopped teaching in 1973 to attend law school. In 1976 she married a fellow lawyer, Joe Ferrara. Last summer while in Maine, Ginny saw Jane (Bates) Churchill and her husband Tom. The Churchills live on Cape Cod and have two teen-age daughters named Heather and Holly. Ginny urges anyone going through New Mexico to please stop in.

Bill Lawlor writes that he has joined WABC-TV in New York City as executive producer of their news. Quite an accomplishment — congratulations. Linda (Gilles) and Tom Patrick spent the entire summer in Boothbay Harbor, Me. They enjoy jogging and literally ran into Kay (Fraser) and Douglas '60 Covell at a race in Brunswick. It was quite a surprise to cross the finish line and recognize a classmate. The Covells live in Brunswick and are both involved in education.

Ron and Trudy (Chambers) Price (shown with sons Kyle and Travis) write that their lives are as busy as ever. Ron has been very active as chairman of Save Maine's Dairy Farms committee, a group of farmers formed to combat the petition to do away with the Maine Milk Commission's retail milk-pricing power. Due to the efforts of this group the petition was stopped. Trudy is doing substitute teaching and working

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part time running a linotype machine at a local printer. Along with all this they are still running a very successful dairy farm.

During a phone conversation with *Nancy (Nichols) Hogan* I discovered that she and husband, *Dick '60* have recently moved into a new home. Her new address is 8 The Meadows, Hampden Highlands, Me. Nancy is an assistant teacher in the Learning Disabilities Center of the Hampden schools. The Hogans have been doing a lot of traveling over the past few years. They were in Spain and San Francisco last year and are planning a trip to Monte Carlo for this April. Dick and Nancy have two children, Sheri 12 and Scott 11.

I ran into *Larry Burke* at a workshop this fall in Concord, N.H. Both Larry and I are on our local planning groups to institute an accountability program in our school districts. He is Asst. Superintendent of Schools in Hudson, N.H. Larry and wife Nancy have lived in Hudson for the past five years with their two children, Ann 17 and Brent 16. Previously the Burkes had spent 9 years in Annapolis, Md. where Larry was a school principal. *Robert E. Walcott* has been promoted to tour foreman in the ground-wood department at Great Northern Paper Co. in East Millinocket. Bob and his family live in Lincoln.

I'll close my column this time with a personal anecdote. One of my fourth grade students told me that she had an aunt visiting her from Maine and that she thought I might know her. I did and so may many of you. The aunt is *Ellie (Turner) Norton '61* who is now a reading teacher in Manchester, Me. Small world isn't it?

## 63 *Parker and Penny Harris* 325 Garland Street Bangor, ME 04401

Christmas brought us cards and notes from fellow classmates, which made a nice reward for being Class Secretaries. Here's hoping that many of you will take the same opportunity in '79.

From the south (Fort Polk, La.) comes word from *Ada Hersey Sloane*. She, husband Bob, a U.S. Army Lt. Col., and daughters Lynn (12) and Susan (9) are looking forward to moving in June to Carlisle Barracks, PA where Bob will attend the Army War College. From Fullerton, Cal. we heard that *Charles "Chub" Michaud* and *Val (Raymond) '62* and their children Melissa & Mathew spent Christmas in the Sierras and Idaho. *Carolyn Vickery Burks* writes that her family is in the process of moving to Okemos, MI. Her husband Terry is Asst. Dist. Manager of the Lansing district (Parts & Customer Service Div. of Ford Motor Co.) They have two daughters Carey (9) and Ashley (5). From the Capitol city, Washington, D.C. we hear that *Lois Murdock Libby* and *Larry '62* will be there until June while Larry serves as Special Advisor to the Sec. of Agriculture. Lois keeps busy working with the elderly. After June the Libbys with daughters Jennifer (13) and Lizzie (10) will be back at Michigan State University which they have called home for the past eight years. *Barron Hicken* writes from Flemington, NJ that he, wife Donna "II", and children Shirley and Mark are busy and happy. Barron is teaching physics and coaching track at Bridgewater - Raritan High School - West. In Marlborough, Conn. we find *Judi London McBair*, husband Rob and daughter Jennifer.

Judy is teaching and they are sharing their home with a Japanese exchange student.

*A.C. Taylor* and *Linda* have finally moved back to New England. They are living in Shrewsbury, Mass. with their three children, Chan (9th grade), Jennifer (7th grade) and Leigh (4th). A.C. is with the Norton Company. *JaAnn (Chandler) Mitchell* and *Jim* live in Hingham, Mass. Their daughter Ellen is in 3rd grade. From Concord, N.H., I hear from *Sue (Spraul) Blake* and *Mike '62* and sons. They enjoy skiing the N.H. mountains. She mentions that *Linda (Minot) Smullen* and *Bill '62* are living in Colorado.

Here in Maine this winter the Harrises are spending all free time at Sugarloaf/USA. It's turning out to be a great place to meet classmates. *Bunny (Thibodeau) Andrews* is an instructor at the ski school and her husband Pat and children Buffy (13), Amy (11) and Jeff (9) are avid skiers. *Marie (Patterson) Gleason* and husband Fred come in from Chelmsford, Mass., and *Joyce (Lundgren) Thomas*, husband John and three children enjoyed Christmas skiing at Sugarloaf. Joyce is a social worker for the Bangor school system.

A recent phone conversation with *Sally (Grindle) Vamvakias* reveals that she, *Jim '62* and three children enjoy living in Falmouth Foreside. *Gail (Hoxie) Brown* keeps busy with three children and husband Tom. She is on the Board of Directors of the Good Samaritan Home in Bangor.

The best to everyone for a successful and happy 1979!

## 64 *Class Reunion, June 1979* *Sandra (Farrar) Milne* 12 Crystal Lane Cumberland, ME 04021

## 65 *Sylvia A. Tapley* 25 Terrace Avenue Stamford, CT 06905

By the time this issue of the *Maine Alumnus* is received, we will probably be in the midst of winter. My best wishes to all for a happy and healthy 1979. Kenneth and *Georgann (Guidmore) Kates* are reporting an extra tax deduction for 1978 . . . *Julia Elizabeth*, born December 29th. *Georgann* writes that *Ginny (4½)*, *Margie (2)* and *Kathy (2)* are very excited about "their" new baby. The five of them are referred to as "Dr. Kates' harem."

I had a long letter from the nomadic *Archers: Don, Sally (Austin)*, Eric and Todd. They are currently (but

perhaps not for long) living in the mountains of western North Carolina, where Don is a biologist with the U.S. Forest Service. Sally is in the process of a mid-life career change — trying to go from education to business. She is filling her spare time with classes in hopes of a future management/marketing position. I saw Sally over the Christmas holidays at the home of mutual friends. Also there was *Pat (Ramsdell) Wile* who is working part-time as Secretary of the First Congregational Church in Ellsworth.

A note from *Sally (Day) Brown* said she is branching out in her volunteer work and now helps out once a week at the Counseling Center of the Hartford College for Women, where there are many programs and ideas for women rejoining the working force. Her husband *Roger* is doing some private guidance work in addition to his counseling job at Hall High School. *David Crabtree* wrote that he and his wife *Pamela (Goodwin)* are both teachers at Bonny Eagle High School. He teaches chemistry and Pam teaches home economics. They are the parents of two daughters, Melanie and Amber.

*Dr. Murn Nippo*, assistant professor of animal science, was one of seven who received excellence awards this fall at the University of R.I. The awards (citations and \$500 stipends) were created to single out those within the university community whose accomplishments were judged worthy of special note. A recent bulletin from the Univ. of Connecticut announced that *Robert Knowles*, professor of mathematics at the Waterbury branch, was given permanent tenure. *Terry Ryan* has joined the staff of the Farm Credit Service of South Burlington, Vt., a nationwide, farmer-owned, cooperative lending entity. *Charles R. Monteith, Jr.*, has been named meter operations engineer for transmission and distribution operations at Central Maine Power Co. Charles is enrolled in a M.B.A. program at the Univ. of Southern Maine.

*Sharon (Folsom) McKay* has recently turned two of her hobbies, sewing and horses, into a growing business. Sharon first designed a special garment bag to help transport all the gear she needed for participation in horse shows. When this idea caught on, she went into production and named her design and manufacturing firm "Fantasy Farm East." In addition to the garment bag, Sharon has designed grooms' aprons, which have become popular with women for housework and general use. Assisting Sharon as seamstress is *Susan Brown*, another alumnus. The two women also do specialty sewing, including tablecloths and lettering on horse blankets.

Keep in touch! I hope to receive personal letters from more of you this year.

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Darryl Brown of Livermore Falls, Me., won the District 1 legislative race in last November's election. Major Wm. R. Porter was recently assigned as an operations officer with the 2nd Armored Division at Ft. Hood, Texas. Porter entered the Army in 1966 and received his commission through the ROTC program. He received a master's degree in 1971 from U.M. George Hall has been appointed a full-time faculty member, a professor of English, at St. Anselm's College. The Rev. Dr. John S. Barber has been called as the pastor of First Congregational Church in West Springfield, MA. John was formerly the senior pastor of the Pilgrim Congregational Church in Leominster, MA, and he and his wife Lois have four children. Capt. Daniel R. Hillard of Wilder, has been named company commander of the 306th Military Police Co., U.S. Army Reserve based in Chester. Daniel is a Vietnam veteran, and since 1973 he has been a field representative of the Vermont general agency of National Life Insurance Co. Edward Schultz is the Director of the Dover Public Library in Dover, N.J. Ed is vice president for the Dover Historical Society, and he is also interested in gymnastics. Sidney Varian has been hired as a prescriptive learning specialist at Cony, in Augusta, ME. Sidney has been a remedial reading teacher in Hanover, MA, Fitchburg, MA and Biddeford, ME. Nancy Cleaves Eames and husband Stan Eames '65 have moved to Amsterdam, N.Y. after living in Hallowell, Me. for the past twelve years. Stan is a new managing editor of *The Recorder*, in Amsterdam. Nancy and Stan live at 75 Evelyn Ave. with daughter Wendy, 10, and son Clay, 7. Nancy had worked for the *Kennebec Journal* in Augusta as full-time, then part-time, women's editor, and Stan worked as reporter, wire editor and news editor.

George S. Noyes has just completed his Ph.D. in zoology at Rutgers, and he is employed as a research biologist at the New York Ocean Science Laboratory, in Montauk, N.Y., where he is working with shellfish aquaculture. George now lives at 29 Clearview Drive, Ridgefield, Conn. 06877. Tom and Mary (Doe) Smaha are living in Scarborough, Me. Tom is president of Smaha's Markets, Inc. and he was recently elected president of the Maine State Grocers' Assoc. Their children are Jennifer, 9, Cynthia and Catherine, 7 yr. old twins, and Andrew, 2½ yrs. Mary is a very busy housewife.

Dr. Floyd Horn is an SEA animal scientist for the Southwest Livestock and Forage Research Station, Rte. 3, El Reno, Oklahoma 73036. He is married to Carolyn Goodoff. Floyd is working with livestock, using a system called the Animal Weight Telemetry System which transmits data to help scientists study forage intake, small weight changes and other aspects of the cow's metabolism.

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Annual blessings on all of you who dropped me a line. Those of you who didn't (and you know who you are), I'm accepting no excuses but I am willing to give you another chance. Seriously, I'm thinking of calling in guest writers or even a ghost writer! I wonder if you'd even notice?

It sounds to me like Karen (Wessell) Reis took over where Mayor Daley left off and '78 brought new involvement. In addition to her work in the school system, in art, music and P.T.A., she has a finger in church work, UNICEF, selling World Book and she joined the Art Institute to see Pompeii AD '79. She lent a hand at a craft bazaar with her calligraphy and she's still doing home improvement projects. Somewhere in there she found time to travel to Florida, up the east coast, and to Iowa. Earl and Edna (Varney) Stein are in Alexandria, VA where Earl works for the Army Research Institute as a psychologist and teaches nights at Northern Virginia Community College. He is also active in Army Reserve. Besides caring for Sam, 4, and Debby, 8, Edna is active in P.T.A. and operates a certified day care facility and serves as an officer for the Northern Virginia Day Care Associa-

tion. She also runs the gift shop at their local temple. Bonnie (Huether) is now Mrs. Allan Chomortany. She married the Hungarian CPA last summer and they've bought a home in Monroe, CT, where they live with their two daughters. Bonnie remains supervisor of the histology lab at Bridgeport Hospital while working on her Master's in biology at U. Bridgeport. She reports that Nancy (Hart) Pfrommer and her husband are in Dallas with their 3 daughters. Now, down memory lane for some trivia: What was the name of the band that rocked and rolled us at UMO '65 through '67? Here's a clue. Capt. Roger Price, U.S.A.F., fighter pilot was the drummer. He still plays when it pays. Roger married a Norwegian girl and has a daughter about three. Recently returned from the Philippines, he is currently at Patrick A.F.B. in FL. How many of you remembered "The Reverbs"?

Rev. Reg Merrill, Jr., and his "Rev. Mrs.", Karen, traveled to London for the reopening of the restored Wesley's Chapel on November 1. They not only went for the opening but also the seminar including a number of inspiring and respected Methodist scholars and leaders. They took advantage of a sightseeing program of the London area while on the scene. They were thrilled to be a part of what was billed as "The Methodist Historic Event of the Century!" One of the highlights of their trip was seeing H.M. Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip.

The hassles and choices and headaches are over and now the dust is settling on a wood and fieldstone home in Orlando, FL. Rammi (Bernier) Waller is settled in now for a happy new year. We have a new neighbor, too, also packing and unpacking. The Grants, Liz (Smart) and Greg are deep in the heart of beautiful mid-town Holden. By now the whole world is in on the happy news that Denny, Rainie and Scottie Drewry will become a foursome this spring. Scottie was ready for Santa but will he be ready for the stork routine? Bert and Cilla (Pugsley '69) Bolduc have learned a lot from their two mini professors Jon (Kindergarten) and Ben (nursery school) this year. Bert's work with Kodak keeps him on the move. '78 found him in Puerto Rico and Singapore and Europe is on the agenda for '79. Cilla kindly gave us a line on Ron Combas. He's apparently in business with a friend making electronic instruments for the oil fields in Houston, Texas. Susan Chadbourne reports a happy and productive year gone by. Sue went back to school after 11 years in the G.E. Financial Management Program. Sue was promoted last fall to Voice Network Analyst for the G.E. Dial Comm Telephone Network. Her sparse spare time is devoted to the Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Jaycees which has provided her with stimulating contacts and community involvement. Ken Coombs was appointed Dean of Instruction at the Portsmouth campus of New Hampshire Vocational Technical College. He previously held the same position at both the Manchester and Berlin branches. He got his background teaching in Maine high schools for ten years and he owned an educational consulting firm. He has served as editor and publisher of a weekly newspaper and also served on the State of Maine Educational Task Force. Ken is the author of a treatise for marine science which was presented at a national seminar. Judi (Maines) Taton has been appointed coordinator of rehabilitation services with NEEDS, Inc. She assesses and upgrades individuals' work habits, skills and motivation to better prepare them for their job. Judi has been at the Job Corps Center at Poland Springs and the AVCO training facility (primarily for Indians) in Montana and she has been a public school system counselor and worked with related programs in Ohio. Nona (Libby) Thompson is the guidance counselor at Readfield's Maranacook Community School beginning this school year. Ferrisburg Central High School, Vt. has a new principal this year, Don Collins. Don has supervised elementary schools, been an assistant principal, guidance director, counselor and teacher.

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Dr. Margaret A. Deans and Richard F. Totten were married Sept. 23 at the home of the bride's parents in Lyman. She did her pre-veterinary studies at the

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University of Vermont and received her D.V.M. from Cornell University, and is now in private practice. Richard, after graduating from UMO, went on to the University of Michigan and received his M.S.W. He is employed in Portland by the State of Maine Department of Human Services as a substitute care manager. They reside at Quaker Point, West Bath. . . . *Elaine F. Jordan '70 and William S. Brownell* were wed on August 19 in South Portland. Elaine is a teacher at Mahoney Junior High School, South Portland, and William is chief deputy clerk for the U.S. District Court in Portland. They live in Cape Elizabeth on Hillcrest Road. . . . *Deborah Anne Dionne and Edward James Gott III* were married Aug. 5 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Old Town. They now reside on Fifth Street in Bangor, where he is employed by Burroughs Corp. . . . On November 19, the *Rev. Ian J. Stewart*, Port Chaplain and Ship's Visitor for the Boston Seaman's Friend Society in Boston, spoke for the 9:29ers, concerning his own work and that of the society. . . . *Dr. Thomas M. Rand* has joined the management consulting firm of Mahoney-Berv Associates, Portland. Previous to this, he was manager of applied behavioral research for PPG Industries Inc. of Pittsburgh, Pa. . . . *Allen J. Corson* of Jefferson has been promoted by the Department of Environmental Protection to the position of director of the Division of Water Quality Evaluation and Planning. . . . *Ronald D. Anderson* has been appointed by Cyanamid as Eastern Regional Sales Manager, Resins and Adhesives in the Industrial Chemicals Division. He will be located in Wallingford, CT. . . . Northeast Data Processing Corp. has announced the promotion of *Sheila J. Kenney*, who joined their staff in 1977. Sheila lives in Lewiston with her daughter, Michelle Lea. . . . *Jere D. Downing*, whose field is entomology, has been appointed by the Cooperative Extension Service at the Univ. of Massachusetts in Amherst specifically to work with mosquito control programs all over the state. . . . *John G. Beckett* writes that he has been made Vice President in charge of marketing for Cameron & Colby Co. . . . *James B. Farr* is in his eighth year as French teacher and Chairman of Foreign Languages at Marshwood High School, Eliot, Me. Last April he took 15 students to Paris for one week, and is planning to do so again this April. . . . *Linda and Doug Griffin* are busy building a post and beam passive solar home in North Windham near his veterinary practice. Although unable to attend reunion, they put together a class newsletter, which can be attained from President Dick Sawyer.

*Cindy Blake* writes that she is living in the Chicago community known as Hyde Park and works at Wyler's Children's Hospital. She lives there with her two chil-

dren, Wendy and Albert. . . . *Linda Grskivich Matula*, husband Joe, and daughters, Suzanne and Kathryn, live at Ft. McMurray in Alberta, Canada, where Joe is a Senior Staff Engineer for Exxon Research and Engineering, Florham Park, N.J. *Ellen (Qumby) Simandl* resides in Milwaukee, Wisc., with her husband Gary and daughter Kira. She is a nurse practitioner/consultant in Milwaukee's latin community at the South Side Community Health Clinic. . . . *Jonathan McKallip* has accepted the position of Assistant Director of Field Services with Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc.

These are the names and events in the first 1979 class report. Hope you have found it interesting to read of their doings. Now, how about writing and sharing your doings with us? I'd love to hear from you. God bless you and yours in this new year!

## 69 Class Reunion, June 1979

New class secretary needed.

Contact Faith Webster  
at General Alumni Association

## 70 Mrs. Bradford D. Ames (Donna Bridges) 261 Chamberlain Street Brewer, Maine 04412

BEAR TRACKS: *George Smith* of Mt. Vernon was elected Kennebec County Commissioner. Prior to his election, George worked as an administrative advisor to Rep. David Emery.

*Glenn Nutting* is employed as an Environmental Marine Biologist for Central Maine Power at Maine Yankee Atomic in Wiscasset. His wife, *Kristina (Lyons) '71* is a self-employed artist and both enjoy remodeling their 150-year old home in Round Pond. The Nuttings have two children, Matthew, age 3, and Bethany, 2.

*Robert Stone* has been promoted to vice-president of Northeast Data Processing Co., a subsidiary of Northeast Bankshare Association.

*Paul Dulac* is the adult education director in Gardiner.

*Judy (Peters) Donahue* is living in Portland. The Donahues have a son, Terence Peters, born one year ago.

*Joanne (Stiles) Conn* writes from Mercerville, N.J. The Conns have two children, Heather, 6, and Michael, 4.

*Harland Goodwin* is teaching high school social studies in South Berwick. For several years, Harland was a representative to the Maine Legislature.

*Colleen Murphy* is currently working in Social Work Service at Togus V.A. Center. One day a week, Colleen attends Boston College Grad School of Social Work. Sounds like a busy schedule!

*John Dugan* is the director of Concept Corporation, management consultants to the packaging and plastics industry. John is married to a former fashion model, Penny (Hechlinger), and the Dugans make their home in a high-rise condominium on Chicago's lakefront. John writes that he is working to form a UMaine Alumni Association in Chicago. Interested grads in the area may contact John at 115 North Harbor Drive #410, Chicago.

*Suzanne Helms* is a speech pathologist at Northeast Hearing and Speech Center in Portland. Husband, *Jim '71*, is manager of Maine Mall Datsun.

Our own *Stephen King* has returned to UMO to teach creative writing. Teaching is not new to Steve since he taught English at Hampden Academy for several years, but in a recent interview he stated, "I've never had a real office before. It's great. Now I can say to my wife, 'Dear, I'm going to the office.'" Steve's fourth and latest novel, "The Stand", is set in the Victorian castle in which he lived last year.

*David Ellingson* is a mechanical engineer at the Strategic Weapons Facility Pacific at the Trident Submarine Base in Washington State. Dave received a Master of Science degree from USC and has travelled extensively this past year to England, Scotland, Hawaii, and from Florida to California. The Ellingsons have two boys — Michael, 5, and Steven, 3.

Belated congrats to *David Courtemanch* wed to the former *Carolyn Wheeler '74*. Both are employed by the State Dept. of Environmental Protection at Augusta.

Also to *Richard Rafuse* wed to *Simonne Bisson*. Both are employed by Boise Cascade Paper Group in Rumford.

Best wishes to *Iris Burleigh* married to *Davis Burnell*. Iris is a guidance counselor at Mt. Blue High School where Davis teaches art.

## 71 Becky Brynn Clifford 71 Park Ave. #6 Portland, ME 04101

(Because Katie Henderson was known, loved and respected by so many of her peers, professors and "cronies," the following thoughts are offered here in place of the regular class notes for this issue.)

I am riding through Connecticut. There is more snow here than in Maine. It's a grey day but beautiful because the trees are clothed in snow and the frequent bodies of water are placid, like glass. They mirror the trees and the bleak sky. I am travelling with two friends, on the way to Virginia to a memorial service for one of our best friends.

My spirit matches the day. There is an element of beauty in the way that I feel, but my heart is empty in its fullness and I feel numb, lonely, "desolate."

Katie knew how to live. She lived mainly and most happily in the outdoors — backpacking, camping, swimming, traveling. (Kate was killed while canoeing with someone she loved best, her brother Tom.) The natural order provided a home for her and contributed to her mental health. Her work kept her in Philadelphia; her spirit took her to the freedom that only nature could provide.

Katie was, without exception, the most productive person of our years that I have known. She was committed to life and the improvement of life for others. She accomplished more in 29 years than others do in many more.

Katie cannot be captured in words. I would not presume to try. Though no longer living, she will dance in the minds and hearts of those who knew her for as long as we live. Because Katie touched me and her other friends so profoundly, a part of us died with Katie's physical death. Of greater importance to me, however, is my inexpressible gratitude and my total knowledge that Katie has made me more of a person and far happier by being my friend — by loving me and accepting my friendship and love.

She will always be loved by many people. Her quick wit, her flaring sense of independence, her courage, her stamina at coping with life's difficulties, her wan-

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derlust, her high intelligence, her profound commitment to her profession, her genuine eagerness to participate fully in life made her precious and unique.

Katie died on New Year's Day. Since we are only in our late twenties, we never anticipated the loss of one of our own. We're so young; our lives are before us and the span of years seems endless. Death, we thought, is for those who have had plenty of time to live. Not so, not so.

**72** Mrs. Richard A. Pohle  
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Denise Cyr (USM) bride of Robert Lord. He is employed by Morse, Payson, and Noyes in Portland. Roger Blodeau is married to Denise Lamberto. He is a Senior Programmer at Casco Bank and Trust, Portland. Dr. Howard L. Singer is starting his final year as senior resident in obstetrics and gynecology at Bay State Medical Center, Springfield, MA. Stephen B. Honer is a Mortgage Originator with the Bank for Savings, Lynnfield, MA. He will interview prospective mortgagors and appraise the real estate. Alan R. Luzato is the new director of guidance, Milton Jr.-Sr. High School, Milton, VT. His new address is RFD #2, Fairfax, VT 05454. Lauren E. McMullin is working with emotionally disturbed adolescents at the French Street School, Bangor. She is married to Michael Opuda '73.

Donna Marie Grant received a Master of Science Degree in Biological Sciences at the University of Delaware 1978 Commencement. Patricia (Parent) and William Rioux '73 are parents of a second child, Bethany Jean, born October 28, 1978. Margaret (Olsen) and Thomas Pearl are the proud parents of Elica Lynn, born March 25, 1978. Their address is 9 Morse St., South Portland, ME. Darrell J. Breed has been promoted within the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. He is the Assistant Officer-in-Charge of the Market News Service at the Hunts Point Terminal Market in New York City. He and his wife Meredith (Donkin) '73 and their daughter Rebecca, reside at 153 Grand Ave., Hackensack, NJ 07061. Roger Ledoux is still at Goddard Space Flight Center, the NASA installation in Greenbelt, MD. He is in the Procurement Division, and is involved with monitoring outside contracts held with Goddard. His wife Pat (Savory) '73 works at the Arbitron Co., a subsidiary of Control Data Corp. Both are into tennis and jogging. Last Fall Roger took courses in bartending, disco dancing and racquetball. He is keeping busy and can be located at 7704 Hanover Parkway, Apt. 304, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Dick and I are now relaxing and unwinding after a hectic summer. We are in South Carolina on the beach and at the golf courses. We'll return to Gorham Country Club, ME in March and prepare for our third summer there. Hope to hear from you.

**73** Rachel Davenport Dutch  
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For many of us, 1979 marks ten years since our arrival on the UMO campus. We seem to be getting more and more interesting.

Steve Parker writes from 4328 Pan American Freeway NE, Apt. 311, Albuquerque, NM 87107, where he has been for nearly a year. He had worked for the telephone company in Bangor until 1977 when he moved to Cape Cod and worked as a shop clerk and reporter/photographer for the Cape Cod Oracle. He is now with Sterling Electronics and enjoying the southwestern climate and scenery, along with the blend of cultures. Cindy (Beckwith) and Mark Fallona have also moved west — to Wisconsin. After getting a pulp and paper technology degree at UMO in May of 1978, Mark took a job with Thilmany Pulp and Paper in Kaukauna, WI. Cindy is the clinic coordinator for the local chapter of Planned Parenthood. Their new home is at 227 E. 9th St., Kaukauna, WI 54130. My first Christmas card this year contained a letter from Barbara and Dan Machell in Buffalo, NY. Barbara is "still tending the homefires" with year-old son John. Dan recently received his PE and has been made a senior engineer with the New York State Department

of Environmental Conservation. She writes of Kathy Hessler who is now living in Warner, NH, and working in a bank in Concord after several seasons aboard the schooner Harvey Gamage. Jobe Chase has forsaken engineering in favor of sea. He is now in Marblehead, MA, working for Hood Sails, making and learning about racing sails. He loves the change Bonnie Highlander recently married David Brody in Buffalo. Bonnie is working on a Ph.D. in anatomy while her husband is in law school. Rod and Priscilla Strout are in Naples with their little girl, Hannah.

Word has come through another correspondent, Rosemary Hall 54, that Sue Gaskin Bardsley is working part-time in the bridal department at Sharfmans in Worcester, MA. Bill Swaffield placed 14 out of 35 competitors in his class at the National Water Ski Championships held in Southfield, MI, this past summer. George Seel is now in northeastern Washington as a forester for the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs at the Colville Indian Reservation. He received an M.S. in resource utilization in 1976 and went to work at that time for the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection in Hartford as an environmental analyst. Pat Passero and his wife are now in Presque Isle. Pat is a salesman for Toyota and his wife is with the Bureau of Mental Retardation. Sue Belisle, a registered dietitian, has been supervisor for therapeutics at St. Mary's General Hospital in Lewiston for the past five years. Louisa Anderson has returned from spending the fall in Winchester, England, at King Alfred's College and teaching. She is now a primary room teacher at the Salmon Falls School in Hollis Center. Suzanne Bernier, of Manchester, NH, ran for county treasurer this fall. She and her husband, Leo, have a daughter, Shannon. Marshall Hughes has been called to be minister of the First Parish Church, Berlin, MA. Evelyn Trotzky has been named director of community relations and development at St. Joseph Hospital, Bangor. Brent Qumby is now teaching French and science at Canaan, VT. Brent had been a ski instructor from 1974-1976 in France. Maureen Fitzpatrick Todd is the new speech therapist in the Sherman School. Dick Todd is the regional recruiter for Proctor and Gamble. Robert Simpson has been out of the Navy for a little over a year and is now with Bath Iron Works. Ernest LeBlanc, an ecology teacher in the Weymouth, MA, schools, recently was named second-place finisher in the National Environmental Conservation Education Awards Competition for Massachusetts. Robert Gray has earned his Ph.D. in optics from the University of Rochester. He and his wife are in Los Angeles where he is with Aerojet Electro Systems. Kathy Poremba Hallett and her husband Bill are now stationed in Germany with the Army.

William and Deana (Anderson) Chase announce the birth of Michael Anderson in September. Charlotte Barra and Thomas Colli are living in Connecticut. Charlotte is a computer programmer at Connecticut Mutual Life and her husband is a product sales specialist for Superior Electric Co. Marriages: Stephen MacDonald and Elizabeth Ingram (Wheaton). Steve is a store manager with Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., and Elizabeth is a marketing assistant with Metcalf and Eddy, Boston. Sandra Newman and Jay Levy (BU). Sandy is with Burroughs Wellcome Veterinary of North Carolina. Jay is in real estate.

I always look forward to hearing from you.

**74** Janet (Reid) Wilks  
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The Christmas mail brought several notes from former classmates. Steve Gervais has a new job as a group home counselor for handicapped young adults in a program being run by the Spurwink School in Portland. Phyllis Sharon (Katzenstein) '72 and Dan Guerette are proud parents of a baby boy, Jeffrey Charles, born December 2, 1978. Dan is still working at Aetna Life and Casualty in Bangor and is studying for C.L.U. at Husson. Barbara Shinkas Bennett received her masters in education from Lesley College in Cambridge in August 1978. The degree was in severe special needs and she is currently teaching blind, multi-impaired children at the Boston Center for Blind Children. She recently married Robert Bennett, Jr., '78. Bob is employed by R.L. Bennett Machine Co. Susan Biggers is employed as a teacher

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aide in the Avon, CT public schools. She is also a customer service coordinator for Taylor Management Co. *Candy Coulling Gagnon* and her husband *Don '73* are living in Hallowell. Don graduated in 1978 from U. Conn. Dental School and has opened a practice in Gardiner. They have a one year old daughter, *Shanna Leigh. Bruce and Janet Szumowski '75 Libby* are living in Hampden, MA. She is employed by Valley Bank as a teller supervisor. Bruce is self-employed. *Denise Caron* is living in Biddeford after a three year stint in the U.S. Army. She is attending SMVTI for a degree in electronics and plans on attending Maine Medical Center for her med-tech degree. *Kathy Smith* received her masters in marine biology from UNH in 1976. She is now employed in the research department at New England Aquarium. *Cathy Croudin* is living in Newport, VT and is employed by her town newspaper. She previously taught in Berlin, N.H. for two years. *Stephen and Debra Heathcote* have moved to Freeport. Steve is a commercial accounts executive with Bradish-Young Insurance in Portland. Debbie is a senior laboratory technician with Fairchild Semiconductor in South Portland.

*Ted O'Meara* served as a field man for the Linwood Palmer campaign. *Steve Collins* married Nilda Ariagada, who was the foreign exchange student at Belfast High in 1970. *Tim Dorr* is working for UMO's student legal services project with the student gov't. *Judy Nedeau* works for Union Mutual Life Ins. Co. in their Chicago Benefits Office. Judy would like to hear from others who are in the Chicago area. She lives at 443 W. Wrightwood Ave. *Kathleen Pratt* married Richard Winslow. She is a computer programmer for Union Mutual in Portland. *Pamela DeGarmo Terchiak* has been working as a medical technologist at Newport Hospital. Her husband, Ray, who attended UMO but graduated from URI, is enjoying his job as a television producer/director for WSBE-TV in Providence. *Tim Townsend* received his M.S. in June 1978 from the Department of Applied Earth Sciences of Stanford. Sue and *Mike Gove* are in Gaithersburg, MD. Mike is Assistant Director of New Product Development for Bethesda Research Laboratories in Rockville, MD. Sue is working in the emergency room of a local hospital.

*George Greenleaf* married *Juliana Eyerer '77*. George is an aide to the Chief of Naval Operations at the Pentagon. *Martha Wootton* wed *Jeffrey Hipsher*. She is a librarian at a high school in St. Louis. *Peter Baldacci* to *Deborah Ann Gardiner*. They live in Bangor. *Rosalee Cheryl Brava* to *Jeffrey Cohen*. She is a substitute teacher in the Weymouth school system. *Abigail Rice* to *Donnelly Douglas*. She is a paralegal for Verriell and Dana. He is an attorney with Powers and Bradford. *William Jordan* to *Carol Morelli '76*. She is employed by Guy Gannett Publishing Co. He is an attorney with Reef and Mooers. *Ginger Lee Hughes* to *John Carver Chandler*. She works at St. Joseph Hospital in Bangor.

*Daniel Blanchette* is Eliot's new administrative assistant to the selectmen. He is a certified Maine assessor. *Joseph Lomerson* has been promoted to the position of administrative assistant at the Hardwood Plywood Manufacturers Association. *Judy Gervais Eyerer* is now at home at 208 French St., Bangor, after an August wedding to *Rudolf Eyerer '76*. She is substituting in the elementary schools in Bangor. *Rudi* is a managing partner of Bangor Merrifield Office Supply Inc. *Judith Jones* wed *Donald Crosby*. They are living in Wolfville. *Rosellen Campbell* wed *James B. Taylor '76*. She is a dietician at Maine Medical Center.

Please note the change of address if you're writing with class news. Paul and I moved in the middle of December and are busy trying to get settled. Happy New Year!

Other class members who have been studying include *Lisa Halvorsen* who received her Master of Extension Ed., Voc Ed, and Tech; *J. David Mulkeen* who graduated from the 31st Municipal Police School of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy; *Richard Stinchfield (G)*, who was awarded a Ph.D. in College Administration from the U. of Idaho and *Joseph Schaefer* who received an M.S. from the Iowa State University Department of Animal Ecology.

*John Lepore* has been appointed as the director of the OPUS agricultural lab program in Turners Falls, MA. He has been completing course work at U. Mass. which leads to a certification in vocational agriculture. *Lynn Flemming, Jr.* has been appointed swim coach for the Bangor-Brewer YWCA. He teaches remedial reading at Downeast School. *Linda Pietroski* is teaching fourth and fifth grade in Palermo, ME. *Tom Burns* served as the York County field rep for Sen. William Cohen's successful campaign. *Anne Tessari* is the Spanish teacher at Gardiner Area H.S. *Robin Lambert* has been named personnel assistant at Pioneer Plastics in Auburn. *Mary Jean (Mallett) Emery* is teaching French and English at Schenck H.S. in East Millinocket. She plans to take a group of students to Europe for spring vacation. *Michael Grondin* and his wife have moved to Dresden where he is employed by the FmHA as county supervisor in the Bath office.

Marriages: *Debra Spencer '77* to *Scott Holt*. Scott is employed by Raytheon Co., Portsmouth, RI and they are living in Middletown, RI. *Krista Watson* to *Michael Grondin*. They are living on the Transalpine Rd. in Lincoln, ME where Mike is employed by the FHA. *Susan Conover '77* to *Tommy Laatikainen*. Susan is a nurse for Community Health Services and Tommy is a business manager for Sweet Potato, Inc. They will make their home on State Street in Portland. *Christine Clark* to *William Wiegand*. Bill is a candidate for his Doctor of Philosophy degree at UConn.; they will reside at Colonial Apts. in Willimantic. *Catherine Zinck* to *Edward Peterson*. Catherine has been employed at Zayre and Edward is employed by the Maine Employment and Security Commission, Biddeford. *Judith Martin* to *Paul Matthews*. Judy is currently employed by WPRI-TV as a director and cameraman. Paul is presently enrolled in the corrections administration program at Salve Regina College. He is employed by Raytheon, Portsmouth. They will make their home in Bristol. *Susan Snow* to *Lawrence Perry*. They are living on Pine St. in Portland. Susan is employed by Sweetser Children's Home and Larry is assistant manager of Fidelity Union Life Ins. Co., Portland. *Constance Dorval* to *Rodolpho Bernal*. They are in New Orleans where Constance has been teaching English as a "foreign language" in the school system and Rodolpho is employed by O'Donnell Brothers, Inc.; they planned to make an extended visit to Peru last fall. *Teresa Davis '73* to *Stephen Chick*. They live in Cambridge, IL where Stephen is employed at the Soil Conservation Service. *Cathy Detting* to *John Darrah*. Cathy teaches at Newman Smith H.S. in Dallas and is working on her master's at North Texas University. *John* is employed with Industrial Risk Insurers of Houston, TX. *Kim Grecoe* to *Keith Sherwood*. Kim is a mortgage underwriter for Equitable Trust Co., Baltimore, MD. *Keith* is in his third year as a dental student at the University of Maryland, Baltimore. *Patricia Kane* to *Lt. Wayne Sturdevant*. Wayne is stationed at Ft. Bragg, NC. *Deborah Ann Cooke* to *Jeffrey Ellis*. Jeff is a CPA and has his own business in Camden, ME. They have made their home in Rockport. *Elaine Baker* to *William Duffus '73*. They are living in Gamboa, Canal Zone and Bill works for the dredging division of the Panama Canal Co. *Anne Winslow* to *Brian Tarbox*. Anne is an art teacher for the Portland school system and Brian is employed by York Electrical Holding Co. They reside on Walnut Hill Rd. in North Yarmouth. *Maylee Keegan* to *Chris Mattson*. Chris is employed by J.S. Cummings, Inc. of Bangor and works out of Ashland where they are living. *Dori Lyn Davis* to *Glenn Prescott III*. Glenn is attending Gordon-Cornwell Theological Seminary in Hamilton, MA. They live in Wenham, MA. *Debra Hovey* to *John Paradis*. They are living in Freeport. *Debbie* is a teacher at Cumberland and *John* is a manager at McDonald's, South Portland. *Paula Boucouvalas* to *Lewis Brickates*. They live in Washington, D.C. where Lewis is an attorney with the IRS. *Christine Stelt* to *Philip Roy*. Christine is a registered dietician at Hartford Hospital and Philip is a mechan-

ical design engineer at Hamilton Stanford of United Technology in Windsor Locks, CT. They live in Manchester. *Susan Eldridge '77* to *Douglas Hermann*. Susan is a registered nurse in the coronary intensive care unit at MMC and Doug is a civil engineer for Cianbro Corp. They live in Scarborough. *Carol Niquette* to *Fred Baker III*. Fred is currently employed as a product development engineer for Ludlow Papers and Packaging Division of Ludlow Corp., Holyoke, MA. They live in Chicopee. *Louise Langlais* to *Steven Bergeron*. They are living in Cumberland Center where Louise is a dental hygienist. Steven is a navigational officer for American Trade and Transportation out of New York City. *Linda Roy* to *Howard Burnham*. Linda is a reading specialist in the Sanford school system and Howard is self-employed as a building contractor. They are living in a new home in Limerick, ME.

I had a letter reporting on two class members now overseas. *Rae Ann (Littlefield) Antille* and *Nancy Ahlsen* are both living in Switzerland. *Rae Ann* went there in Dec. of 1976 as a governess for a Swiss family. She met her husband *Francois* there and in March of '78 they were married. They are now awaiting the January arrival of UMO's Swiss candidate for the Class of 2001. They live in a tiny village called Migege perched on a southern facing slope of the Alps and are kept very busy tending their vineyards. Other than missing Maine lobster, *Nancy* sounds very happy about her decision to take an extended vacation in Switzerland. She went over for *Rae's* wedding and has been working as a waitress in a cafe in Sierre, just ten minutes down the road from *Rae*.

A letter from *Tom Sinclair* brought the news that he is currently working on a master's degree in "environmental communications" at the Univ. of Wisconsin — Madison. It is an environmental studies program for journalists who want to specialize in environmental problems and issues. *Tom* was a reporter for the *Portland Press Herald* for two years prior to returning to school. He is a native Mainer who misses it and hopes to return upon completion of his studies.

*Peter Kohler* is finishing up med school at George Washington University in the near future and hopes to set up his internship in New England or the Midwest.

The current Mrs. CT is *Frances Golden Gisolfi* married since Sept. 1977 to *Rudy Gisolfi* who is a special agent with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. She is a singer with his seven piece band which performs locally. Her reign has opened up many opportunities for her and she plans to pursue her singing career as a profession. She also had the opportunity to audition for a role in the soap opera "Love of Life."

**76** *David N. Theoharides*  
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I received a letter from *Trudy Tuttle* saying that she has moved to Santa Rosa, CA to work for Optical Coating Laboratory, Inc., as a research microscopist. She wanted to know if anyone else from UMO was in the area. Please write me and I'll forward the information. *James Linnane* writes that he has been assigned to the Rocky Mountain Region of the U.S. Forest Service, in Lakewood, CO. He is employed as an entomologist. He was also married, in April, 1978, to *Anne Marie Wagner*, of Ft. Collins, CO.

*James Finkle* has been chosen as the new town manager of Vassalboro. *Colleen Keefe* writes that she is teaching art in Pittsfield, and is engaged to *Bayford Lancaster '78*. *George MacDonald* has been transferred to Presque Isle, still working for the Soil Conservation Service. His wife is expecting their first child in May. *Elizabeth Munster '78* and *Alison Barr* have opened the Portland Piano Studio on West Street in Portland. They hope to give lessons to children and adults, using an approach that will cater to the interests and capabilities of their students. *Michael Hudson* is currently enrolled in a master's program at Montana State Univ., Bozeman, MT, pursuing a degree in fish and wildlife management. *Greg Golden* has been promoted to the rank of 1st lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps.

*Rebecca Livingston* wrote to say that she "finally got a job!" She is teaching 2nd grade in Mt. Vernon, and "loving every minute of it!" *Leo Doucette* has been ap-

**75** *Terry McDonald*  
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Hi everyone, I not only made it to Washington, I also managed to survive the first semester as a first year grad. I'm very busy; in addition to a full course load, I have a job as resident assistant in an undergrad dorm. Besides planning activities, we are responsible for the reception desk, which includes doing telephone interpreting for the students.



# IN MEMORIAM

pointed as cost accountant for St. Regis Paper Co. Sally Sudbay writes that she has enrolled in a master's program in College Counseling at Boston University. Rosemarie Thompson became the bride of Patrick Powers this past summer. Pat is a production manager and supervisor for R.T. French's Inc. in Idaho. Linda McCreery was married to Daniel Coplin on April 14, 1978. She is a Cost Analyst for Stone and Webster Engineering Corp. Peter Coughlan and Gail Parent '78 were married in July, and are residing in Old Town. Peter is employed by the ME Dept. of Transportation in Bangor.

Other weddings included Kim Grecoe to Keith Sherwood. Keith is currently a third year dental student at the Univ. of Maryland in Baltimore. Laura White to William Michaud '77. They will be living at 1496C Manor House Lane, Lancaster, PA. Living in Colorado Springs, CO are the newly married Laura Norton, '80 and Steve Shapiro. Bonnie Gardner to Lewis Waugh '78. They will be living in Latham, NY. Married in Piqua, Ohio are Beth Hardman and Bruce Marshall. Bruce teaches third grade at the Antilles School in the Virgin Islands. How about writing a letter and letting us know what it's like to be warm!

Carol Morelli to Bill Jordan '74. Carol is working for the Portland Press Herald. Ellen Clark '78 to John Patten. John is a science teacher at the Wells Junior High School. Residing in Winterport are the newly married Deborah Bishop and Alan Glazier. Deborah is teaching at the Governor Anderson School in Belfast. Finally, Jane Goodwin '75 to David Theoharides. WE are living in Lincoln and teaching in the Lincoln school system!

**77** Ron Aseltine  
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Marriages are still the number one activity among our classmates. Michelle Bremner married Louis Hall, they are in Champaign, Illinois. Karen Leus wed Tony Boffa on June 10, and they live in Portland. Mike Poulin to Pat Powell on July 1; they make their home in Lewiston. Mark Perry married Edith Trent '79. Mark is attending his first year of law school at the University of Wyoming. (Good luck, Mark, I know how it can be!) Rod Ford to Geraldine Bernard on August 5. Rod works for NCR in Portland. Nancy Lammamann wed Parker Laite on Aug. 19, and they live in Lincolnville. Cindy Grant married Terry Grindle also on Aug. 19; Cindy works for the Jackson Labs in Bar Harbor, and Terry is with the Roland Grindle Insurance Agency in Bucksport. Steve Johnson to Cynthia Rich on Aug. 19; Steve is going for an MBA at Orono. Cathy Merrill wed Peter Liberty '75 on Aug. 20, they now live in Portland. John Hichborn to Gayle Rogers on Aug. 26, they reside in Augusta. Susan Janke and Brent Baeslack on Sept. 9, they now live in Bangor. Valerie McGuire wed Stephen Rich on Sept. 16. They make their home in Glenburn. Laura Revers married Scott Shulman on Sept. 23. The couple lives in Weymouth, MA. Tom Dowd to Dianne Dayton '78. Tom is getting a master's in economics at the University of Michigan. Pete Anania and Patricia Kendrick on Oct. 14; they reside in Portland. Neal Wykes married Kathleen Siamatas; they live in Gray. Fran D'Andrea to Rick Chadwick on Oct. 22; they make their home in Falmouth. Mary Clifford to Dave Gray, who are now living in Bradford. John Galtcomb to Leah Ann Bell on Nov. 11; they live in Wells.

Bill Wood dropped us a line saying he is in medical school at Dartmouth. A letter from Micki Byrnes shows she is now working in the promotion department of Channel 38 in Boston, doing a lot of work with the Red Sox and Bruins broadcasts. Larry Rouse's note says he is with Clarastat, Inc. in Gorham and also is a medical officer in the Army Reserve.

Jack Legget is coach of the UVM baseball team and is a member of the phys. ed. staff at Vermont. Kent Hall has been appointed as ambulance service coordinator for Woodstock, NH. Roger Cook has been named as the conservation officer for the town of Carlisle, Mass. Lynn VanNote is now technical director for the Didden Center for the Arts at Johnson State College in Vermont. Bill Rollins has accepted a position with General Electric in the Installation and Service Field Engineering Division.

I'm really glad to hear from you, so many people are doing so many interesting things — keep the letters coming! 'Til next time, good luck to all!

**1927 KENNETH SELLERS FIELD, 73**, of Belfast died December 24, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree and in 1932, an M.S. degree in Electrical Engineering. He was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity. A professional engineer in Maine, New York, and Texas for 15 years, he was elected a fellow of the I.E.E.E. in 1962. He was associated with the New England Electrical Company and was a consulting electrical engineer with Ebasco Services, New York City, ending a distinguished career after 29 years upon retiring to Belfast in 1970. An active supporter of the University of Maine for many years, he had been a member of the General Alumni

Association Council, regional committeeman for the Annual Alumni Fund Drive (1972-73), a member of the Century Club and Maine Stay Club, past president and active member in the Waldo County Alumni Club. In community activities, he was a member of the York and Scottish Rite Bodies of the Masonic order; Anah Temple Shrine, and the Shrine Chanters, Bangor; and the Belfast Rotary Club. He was a former deacon of the First Church in Belfast. He is survived by his wife, Mae (Kirk) Field '27 of Belfast, one son, one daughter, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

**1915 RAYMOND DONALD DOUGLASS, 83**, of Belmont, MA died October 15, 1978. He was graduated with a B.A. degree in Mathematics, received his M.A. degree in 1916 and a Ph.D. from M.I.T. in 1929. He received an honorary Dr. of Science Degree from the University of Maine in 1941. He was a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity, and Phi Beta Kappa Honorary Society. A noted educator and author at M.I.T. for 45 years, he was a member of the American Mathematics Association, the American Mathematics Society and the American Society of Engineering Education. He served in the Navy during WW I and II. He was a member of numerous masonic and civic organizations including the Beaver Lodge AF & AM of Belmont, Aleppo Temple of the Mystic Shrine and Scottish Rite Freemasonry, as well as Grand Commander of St. Bernard's Commandery. He was convener of Emeritus professors at M.I.T., trustee of Mount Ida Junior College, and charter advisor of the first university chapter of the Order of DeMolay. He is survived by his wife, Ollave, and three daughters.

**1915 PRESTON MARTIN HALL, 87**, of St. Petersburg, FL died November 3, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering and was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He founded the Taylor-Hall Welding Company in Worcester, MA in 1923 and served as its president until 1947, when he was appointed technical executive of the Resistance Welders Association in Philadelphia. He held 23 patents including one for a low-inertia electrode holder. During WW I he was an explosives chemist for the U.S. Government at Frankfort Arsenal, Philadelphia, and during WW II he was chief of the Resistance Welding Section of the War Production Board. He received several citations for his work from the U.S. Government. He was a past president of the Central Massachusetts UMO Alumni Association, and was active in several civic and social organizations in both Worcester, MA and St. Petersburg, FL. His survivors number an unusually large University of Maine family. He leaves his wife, Albertina, two daughters, two sons (Edward C. '48 of Holden, MA and Preston "Skip" '54 of West Boylston, MA), 22 grandchildren including (Susan Hall Sullivan '72 of South Merrimack, NH, Edward C. '74 of Holden, MA, Richard D. '76 of Westboro, MA, Donald P. '79 of Holden, MA, Preston M. II '79 of West Boylston, and Thomas E. '82 of West Boylston). His two daughters-in-law are (Rosemary Carlin Hall '54 and Dottie Moran Hall '43). His granddaughter-in-law is (Mary Toole Hall '76).

**1915 JOSEPH BACHELOR PARKER, 84**, of North Miami, FL died August 16, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Dairy Husbandry and was a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Alpha Zeta Honor Societies. For 43 years he served as an executive in the Dairy Division of the Department of Agriculture in Washington, DC, where he directed research in the breeding, feeding and management of dairy cattle. He was a member of Miami Shores Presbyterian Church and a veteran of WW I. He is survived by his son, Joseph, four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

**1917 STANLEY WALDRON STODDARD, 83**, of Holden, MA died September 1, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering and was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. After serving in the Navy during WW I, he joined the New England Power Company as an electrical engineer where he continued to work for 39 years. Among other responsibilities, he participated in the design and construction of many of the company's power stations before his retirement in 1960. He was a member of the Bingham, ME Lodge of Masons, a member of the Boylston Sportsman's Club, a registered professional engineer and a member of the Worcester, MA Rotary Club. He is survived by his wife, Lillian, and a sister.

**1918 STEPHEN MERLE DUNHAM, 82**, of Auburn died November 4, 1978. He received a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering and was a member of Theta Chi fraternity. Following service with the Armed Forces during WW I, he was employed at the Worthington Pump and Machinery Corporation where he worked until his retirement in 1961. He was a member of Tranquil Lodge No. 29 AF & AM, Square and Compass Club, and the First Universalist Church. He is survived by his wife, Norma, two daughters and two step-children.

**1918 HENRY SWAIN SIMS, 82**, of Rockleigh, NJ died September 17, 1978. While at Maine he was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, received a B.S. degree at M.I.T. in 1920 and a Ph.D. at Columbia in 1922. His career was dedicated to medical research, primarily at the Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, in the fields of Aging and Arteriosclerosis. He leaves no close relatives.



**1918 FRED LOT WEBSTER, 82**, of Belfast died May 30, 1978. He managed prize cattle herds in several New England states, and was agent of Waldo County for the Maine Extension Service from 1944 until his retirement in 1961. He was instrumental in starting the chicken broiler industry in Waldo County and organizing the first Broiler Day Festival in Belfast. Surviving are his daughter-in-law, two granddaughters, two sisters, one niece (Elizabeth Emery Etzel '44 of Farmington) and a nephew (Bernard A. Etzel '43 of Farmington).

**1920 JOHN FRANCIS McCABE, 82**, of Antrim, NH died September 7, 1978. He received a B.A. degree in Biology and was a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity. He was a WW I Army Veteran and at the time of his death was retired as a construction engineer. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, and a sister.

**1920 GERARD HORACE NICKERSON, 80**, of Delray Beach, FL died November 5, 1978. He was a commander and security officer of the U.S. Navy, and after retirement was appointed Guard Supervisor at the U.S. Naval Radio Station at Cutler. A member of the Christian Temple Church in Lubec and a life member of Cyria Temple AF & AM of Pittsburgh, PA, he was also a member of Gold Coast Shrine Club and a 32nd Degree Mason. He is survived by his wife, Lillian, one sister, a nephew and a niece.

**1921 INA JORDAN, 82**, of Manchester, NH died June 7, 1978. She received a B.A. degree in History after graduating from Farmington State Normal School in 1917. She taught history at Manchester High School for 44 years, retiring in 1962. She was a member of the Seal Harbor Congregational Church, the Molly Stark Chapter of the D.A.R., the Manchester College Club and a former board member of the Woman's Aid Home. She is survived by a sister, Lena, and one brother.

**1924 VAUGHN LORING LADD, 75**, of Milo died October 22, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering, was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and Tau Beta Pi Scholastic Honor Society. He had 44 years of service with the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad. From 1953 until his retirement in 1968 he was chief mechanical officer. He was a member of the Masonic bodies and former president of the New England Railroad Club. He is survived by one son, one daughter, two sisters and six grandchildren.

**1925 DAVID MILLER SHAPLEIGH, 78**, of Dover-Foxcroft died April 12, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering and has been retired as a chemical engineer in the pulp and paper industry. He was a member of the T.A.P.P.I. Survivors include his wife (Evangeline Steward Shapleigh '25), three sons, two sisters and five grandchildren.

**1926 CLINTON ALBERT WOODARD, 75**, of Moscow died October 7, 1978. He was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity. He was a master electrician and owned and operated an electrical appliance store in Guilford for many years. He was a 50-year member of Bingham Lodge No. 99 AF & AM. Surviving are four sons, four daughters including (Paula Woodard Philbrick '62 of Hamilton, VA), 33 grandchildren including (Richard A. Woodard '72 of Monson), and 21 great-grandchildren.

**1928 HERBERT EDMUND HAMMONS, 73**, of La Habra, CA died October 17, 1978. He had worked for the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company for 42 years before moving to California in 1967. He is survived by his wife (Louise Durgan Hammons '31 of La Habra), three sons including (Richard E. '63 of Leona Valley, CA), a brother and nine grandchildren.

**1929 GEORGE LESTER COLTART, 75**, of Worcester, MA died November 2, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity and was elected to Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi Honor Societies. He had been a mechanical engineer with Ingersoll-Rand for nearly 40 years, retiring in 1967. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, two sons, six grandchildren and one sister.

**1930 GEORGE HENRY BARNES, 69**, of Presque Isle died October 5, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Agronomy and was a member of Beta Kappa fraternity and Alpha Zeta Honor Society. He was a partner in the Barnes Brothers farming operation at Fort Fairfield, was a former vocational agriculture teacher at Presque Isle High School and had business interests in Presque Isle theaters. A few of the many highlights of his career include service on the Presque Isle City Council for 12 years as well as in the Maine Senate in the 103rd and 104th Legislatures from 1967 until 1971. He served nearly 20 years as manager of the Eastern States Farmers' Exchange seed potato production division, was past president of the Maine Potato Council and had been vice president of the National Potato Council. In 1965 he was honored by the City of Presque Isle which presented him with a special community service award for outstanding and devoted service. He is survived by his wife, Dorothea, two daughters, including (Jane Barnes Jagels '69 of Bangor), two brothers, four sisters and five grandchildren.

**1931 THEODORE ROLAND BICKMORE, 71**, of Twentynine Palms, CA died April 8, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Forestry and was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity. He worked most of his life in engineering and surveying capacities, and served his community in numerous capacities including the Community Concert Association and board of directors of Twentynine Palms Water District for 12 years. He took an active role in the Morongo Basin Conservation Association. Since 1946 his community work was expressed especially through his long service on many projects of Twentynine Palms Lions Club where he served in nearly every capacity. He is survived by his wife, Zelma, and a sister.

**1931 WILLIAM EATON SMITH, 69**, of Verona, PA died April 11, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering and in 1934 earned a Master of Science degree. He was a member of Sigma Phi Sigma fraternity. He had been chief chemist for Koppers Chemical Company for 33 years. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen, two sons and a daughter.

**1931 ALLSTON ULYSSES WALKER, 70**, of Prospect Harbor died October 25, 1978. He was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. A surveyor for most of his life, he also enjoyed running a drugstore, tending a small sheep farm and lobstering in his spare time. He is survived by his wife, June, one son (Burton '62 of Prospect Harbor), and two grandchildren, as well as his daughter-in-law (Jean Messer Walker '60 of Prospect Harbor).

**1932 Dr. WALTER LOUIS HENRY HALL, 67**, of Old Town died August 26, 1978. He was graduated with a B.A. degree in Zoology and received his M.D. from Harvard in 1936. He was a member of Phi Kappa fraternity. He served in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps during WW II. He was a member of St. Joseph Hospital board of trustees for nine years, and served as a board member of the Executive Medical Staff. He was past president of the medical staff at St. Joseph Hospital and a member of the surgical staff at E.M.M.C. A member of many national and local professional organizations, he was certified by the American Board of Surgery, was a member of the American Medical Association and the Doctor's Club of America, and was a Certified Member of the American Academy of Family Physicians. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and a member of the Father Druille Council of the Knights of Columbus. He is survived by his wife, Clare, two sons (John E. '68 of Miami, FL and Peter H. '74 of Old Town) and one grandson.

**1932 MERLE ERNEST PIKE, 67**, of Kingsport, TN died September 1, 1978. He majored in Engineering and was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity. He was a senior mechanical engineer at Tennessee Eastman Company, retiring in 1975 after 31 years of service, and was active in several professional organizations. An amateur violinist, he was a charter member of the Kingsport Symphony and served on its Board of Directors. An active member of the Watauga

Chapter of the Audubon Society, his favorite cause was the Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, and two daughters.

**1933 LUCIA UMPHREY CHURCHILL, 66**, of Craryville, NY died October 6, 1978. She was graduated with a B.S. degree in Home Economics and was a member of Phi Mu sorority. She was a retired case worker for the Columbia County Social Services Department and was a member of Mt. Merino Chapter 366, Order of the Eastern Star. She is survived by her husband, Maurice, three daughters, two sons, a brother, and eight grandchildren.

**1934 RICHARD LAWRENCE HILL, 67**, of Reading, MA died September 27, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He retired in 1972 from General Electric as a Product Service Engineer after 30 years with the company. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth and one son.

**1936 JOHN ARTHUR MURPHY, 65**, of Bangor died November 9, 1978. Before attending UMO, he had attended St. John's Preparatory School in Danvers, MA. He was a salesman for Sears, Roebuck and Co. in Bangor for 12 years. Surviving are his sister-in-law, Mary, and two nephews including (Michael Murphy '75 of Addison).

**1936 DONALD LOUIS ROLLINS, 63**, of Lynnfield, MA died September 15, 1978. He was graduated with a B.A. degree in Economics and in 1948 graduated from Boston University Law School. He was a member of Phi Mu Delta fraternity. He was the past president and chairman of the board of the Lumber Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Wellesley, MA retiring after 24 years of service in 1977. An Air Force veteran of WW II, he was a member of the Maine Bar Association and the Carroll Lodge of Masons. Surviving are his wife, Constance, four sons including (Lawrence F. '70 of Freedom, NH) and one brother (Willis R. '26 of West Hartford, CT).

**1936 Dr. PAUL EDWARD TAYLOR, 64**, of Kittery died November 6, 1978. He was graduated with a B.A. degree in Zoology and in 1940 received his M.D. from Tufts Medical School. He had been a member of the staff of Portsmouth (NH) Hospital since 1951 and was among the more generous of benefactors of the hospital, having been especially interested in the Intensive Care Unit. He was a member of the Portsmouth, Rockingham County, and Maine Medical Societies, being licensed to practice in both states. In civic affairs, he was chairman of the Old Traip Academy Board of Trustees and was elected to the first school board under the new Kittery Town Council. He was particularly interested in the Kittery Naval Museum where he was one of the founders and a trustee. Archeological investigations on land and sea were his active pursuits. He is survived by his brother and two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Gay and Mrs. Ruth Vocca, both of Kittery.

**1936 DAVID PEIRCE WELLMAN, 64**, of Westbrook died September 11, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering and was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He was employed by S.D. Warren Company for 42 years until his retirement in 1975. He was active in the S.D. Warren Company Band for many years and was a member of the Universalist Church of Westbrook. Surviving are his wife, Dorothy, one son (David H. '68 of Westbrook), and one grandson.

**1937 NELSON THOMAS GORDON, Jr., 65**, of Readfield Depot died September 15, 1978. He was owner and operator of Gordon Pontiac in Readfield and a member of numerous fraternal organizations including Kora Temple Shrine in Lewiston. He was a member of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. Surviving are his wife, Alice, one brother and two sisters.

**1938 DAVID FLOCKHART CARSWELL, 63**, of Tucson, AZ died September 16, 1978. He was graduated with a B.A. degree in Horticulture and in 1947 received an M.A. degree from Northern Arizona University in Biology. He was a member of Phi Delta



Kappa. After teaching at Ft. Lewis A&M College in Colorado, he became Educational Curator at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum in Tucson, and then taught for 18 years at Tucson High School, retiring in 1977. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn, two sons, one grandson and two brothers.

**1940 GEORGE TABOR DIGBY, 61**, of Richmond, VA died July 5, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Forestry and was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. After serving as a Lieutenant Commander in the U.S.N.R. during WW II, he joined Prudential Insurance Company of America where he worked for the past 30 years. He is survived by his wife, Hilda, two sons and a sister.

**1940 MAYNARD WHITNEY FILES, Lt. Col. Ret., 61**, of Gainesville, TX died October 4, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Forestry and was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity. He entered the U.S. Army in 1940 and served in the European Theater during WW II. Captured as a prisoner of war in 1943, he was liberated in 1945. He was a member and past commander of the Liles Spraggins Chapter of the Disabled American Veterans and a life member of the Retired Officers Association and American Ex-Prisoners of War as well as the Masonic Lodge of Gainesville. He was the recipient of the Silver Star and Bronze Star with Cluster. He is survived by his wife Esther, two sons including (William '73G of Williamsburg, VA), and a sister (Dorothy E. Files '30 of Gainesville, TX).

**1940 ANDREW W. "BILL" GAVETT, Jr., 58**, of Orono died November 20, 1978. A veteran of WW II, he had owned and operated the Chalet service station at the corner of College Avenue for the past 31 years. He was a past president of the Orono-Old Town Kiwanis and had been awarded their Distinguished Service Award for his work in the two communities. He was also a past president of the Orono Jaycees and an officer of the Graduate "M" Club at the University of Maine.

"Bill was rugged and he demonstrated this quality over the years at Kiwanis auctions, lifting twice his share and disdaining help when it was offered," writes his friend and fellow Kiwanian Frank Witter. "Rugged as he was on the outside, he was a sensitive, compassionate person. We wish that all of us could emulate the spirit of service for our fellowmen that Bill showed."

Gavett is survived by his wife Stacia, three sons (Andrew W. III '73 of Orono, Peter M. '73 of Bangor and Stephen J. '80 of Orono), five daughters including (Mary Gavett Orsi '69 of Waltham, MA, Katharine J. '77 of Orono and Patricia E. '80 of Orono).

In his memory, the Bill Gavett Scholarship Fund has been established at Orono High School.

**1941 JOHN CALDWELL CLEMENT, Jr., 59**, of Montclair, NJ died October 18, 1978. He was graduated with a B.A. degree in Economics and was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He was a veteran of WW II, having served in the U.S. Navy, where he was awarded the Air Medal for outstanding performance of duty. For many years he was employed as an underwriting analyst for the Continental Insurance Company in New York. He is survived by two sisters and an aunt.

**1944 FRANK HERBERT BAILEY, 56**, of Ellsworth died November 26, 1978. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He served as a Major in the U.S. Marine Corps during WW II and subsequently was employed as a bridge engineer for the Maine Department of Transportation. He was a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the United Methodist Church of Calais. He is survived by his mother, three sons, a daughter (Patricia '79), one brother and one sister (Andrea Bailey Vose '47 of Calais).

**1944 GEORGE MAYNARD SMITH, 58**, of Trenton died November 27, 1978. He was employed by the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company for 28 years. He was active in numerous masonic and civic groups, serving as selectman, and was a member of the planning board and school board of Trenton. He was a

veteran of the U.S. Navy. Surviving are his wife, Evelyn, one son, one daughter and four grandchildren.

**1945 GREGORY NICHOLAS PETREAS, 57**, of Saco died September 6, 1978. He majored in Business Administration and received a Master's degree at the University of Pittsburgh. After serving in U.S. Army Intelligence during WW II, he began a career in government service. He organized 23 trade exhibits for the Commerce Department before returning to Maine in 1974 as a trade specialist. He was a communicant of St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in Biddeford. Surviving are his mother, Vasiliki, two sons and two grandchildren.

**1948 FREDERICK THOMPSON MOREY, 64**, of Orland died October 12, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Education and earned his M.Ed. in 1965. He was a veteran of WW II and had taught biology at Belfast, Brewer and Marblehead, MA before becoming a guidance counselor at Bucksport High School for the past ten years. He was active with the Boy Scouts of America on both a local and district level. Surviving are his wife, (Josephine Hutchins Morey '66), two sons, a daughter and two grandchildren.

**1949 ARTHUR MARSHALL BOYNTON, 59**, of Alameda, CA died July 17, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering and furthered his studies at the Moore School of Engineering, University of Pennsylvania. He began his career as a design draftsman for the Pennsylvania Railroad in 1959, moving to Boeing Aircraft in Seattle in 1953, and on to Lockheed Aircraft Corporation as Design and Research Engineer. At the time of his death he was Electronics Engineer for the Naval Air Rework Facility in Alameda. He is survived by his father and two sisters, including (Irene Jack '70 of Winslow).

**1950 GEORGE WENTWORTH LITTLEFIELD, 65**, of Albion died September 28, 1978. He received a B.S. degree in Forest Management and was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and Alpha Zeta Honor Society. His career combined dairy farming in Albion with teaching in Unity, Freedom, Waterville and Hampden Academy before retiring in 1974. He was active in state and national teaching organizations, was a member of the 1941 Maine Legislature and the Albion Christian Church, and was president of the Albion Senior Citizens Club. He is survived by his wife, Velma, four sons including (Ronald '77G of Veazie and Robert '76G of Brewer), one sister, one brother and three grandchildren.

**1950 PHILLIP MOLLICONE, Jr., 54**, of Augusta died October 12, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering, and had been a civil engineer with the construction division of the Maine Department of Transportation. A registered professional engineer, he was a member of the Maine Association of Engineers, the Maine Good Roads Association, and the American Society of Engineers. He was active in the American Legion of Winthrop, the Boy Scouts, and the Kennebec Rocks and Minerals Club. He is survived by his wife (Marilyn Noyes Mollicone '50), one son, and one daughter (Nina R. Mollicone '75 of Camden).

**1954 RALPH HOWARD CLARK, 46**, of North Hollywood, CA died August 12, 1978. He was graduated with a B.A. degree in Journalism and was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. After serving with the U.S. Army in Germany, he earned his M.A. degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1957. His career included positions with the *Minneapolis Star*, with the *Valley Times* in Los Angeles as aerospace editor, and with Lockheed Aircraft as corporate publicity representative. He had also served as Press Secretary to Mayor Yorty of Los Angeles. He was a member of the National Association of Science Writers and the Aviation/Space Writers Association. He is survived by his father, Frank, and two brothers.

**1957 HARRIET CLARK WORTHING, 79**, of Augusta died November 11, 1978. She received a B.S. degree in Education and had graduated from Nason College in 1926. She served for 12 years with the Farmers Home Administration as supervisor of home economics and was home demonstration agent for

Waldo County Extension for nine years. A 44-year member of Penney Memorial Baptist Church, she had served on its board of trustees and was a member of Grace Missionary Guild and the W.C.T.U. She is survived by her stepdaughter, Arlene, a brother and stepsister.

**1958 NEOTA COMINS MITCHELL, 78**, of East Corinth died November 10, 1978. She received a B.S. degree in Education and had graduated from Castine Normal School in 1926. She taught school in East Corinth and Bangor and was a member of the Retired Teachers Association. She was a 25-year member of the Grange, as well as a member of the Diamond Rebekah Lodge, East Corinth, and Silver Leaf Chapter of Eastern Star, Charleston. She is survived by two sons, one daughter, a brother and a sister.

**1959 JAMES JOSEPH WILKINSON, 60**, of Biddeford died June 15, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Education and had taught at several schools in Maine including Biddeford High School, where he had taught for 15 years before retiring in 1975. He was a naval veteran of both WW II and the Korean War and was a member of the V.F.W. and Disabled American Veterans, as well as the Knights of Columbus. Surviving are his wife, Geneva, one son, one daughter, two brothers and five grandchildren.

**1961 ORIS COLLIER JENKINS, 69**, of Lincoln died May 20, 1978. She was a graduate of Machias Teachers College and received her B.S. degree at UMO in Education. She taught school for 42 years in the Lincoln area. She was a life member of the Lincoln Teacher's Association and a member of the Wytotitlock Baptist Church, teaching Sunday School for more than 40 years in Wytotitlock and Lincoln. She is survived by a son (Ronald '66 of Lincoln), one daughter and four grandchildren.

**1971 CATHERINE CARTER HENDERSON, 29**, of Narberth, PA died January 1, 1979 as the result of a canoeing accident. She was graduated with a B.S. degree in Biology and in 1977 earned an M.S. degree in Social Welfare from the University of Pennsylvania. At the time of her death she was employed as a social worker at the Presbyterian Children's Village, Rosemont, PA. She is survived by her parents, Greig and Rosalind Henderson, and two brothers.

**1976 STEVEN KENNETH NICKOLLS, 24**, of Wilbraham, MA died August 12, 1978. He was graduated with a B.S. degree in Forestry and was a member of Xi Sigma Pi, Phi Kappa Phi and Alpha Zeta Honor Societies. At the time of his death he was completing his M.S. degree at Washington State University where he had been appointed a teaching assistant in materials science and engineering. While at Maine he had been awarded a Pulp and Paper Foundation four-year scholarship, was the 1975 recipient of the Maine Hardboard Association Scholarship, and in 1976 had the distinction of being named a Dwight B. Demeritt Scholar in the School of Forest Resources. He was a member of the Forest Products Research Society and the Society of Wood Science and Technology. Surviving are his parents, Kenneth R. and Kathryn Nickolls, a brother and a sister.

#### FRIEND

**PERCY F. CRANE, 85**, of Orono died October 23, 1978. A graduate of Bowdoin College, he had done graduate work at Harvard and the University of Maine. He was a veteran of WW I, serving in the Army Air Corps, and subsequently served as principal of Washington Academy, and headmaster of Gould Academy. In 1936 he joined the University of Maine staff as Director of Admissions where he served for 22 years until his retirement in 1958. He was a recipient of the Black Bear Award, a member of the Graduate "M" Club and upon retirement was named Director Emeritus. He was a 50-year member of Warren Lodge AF & AM of East Machias, a member and former vestryman of St. John's Episcopal Church, Bangor, and a trustee of Washington Academy. He is survived by his wife, Frances, one son (Talbot '43 of Wilmington, DE), one daughter (Janice Crane Jacobs '49 of East Machias), ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



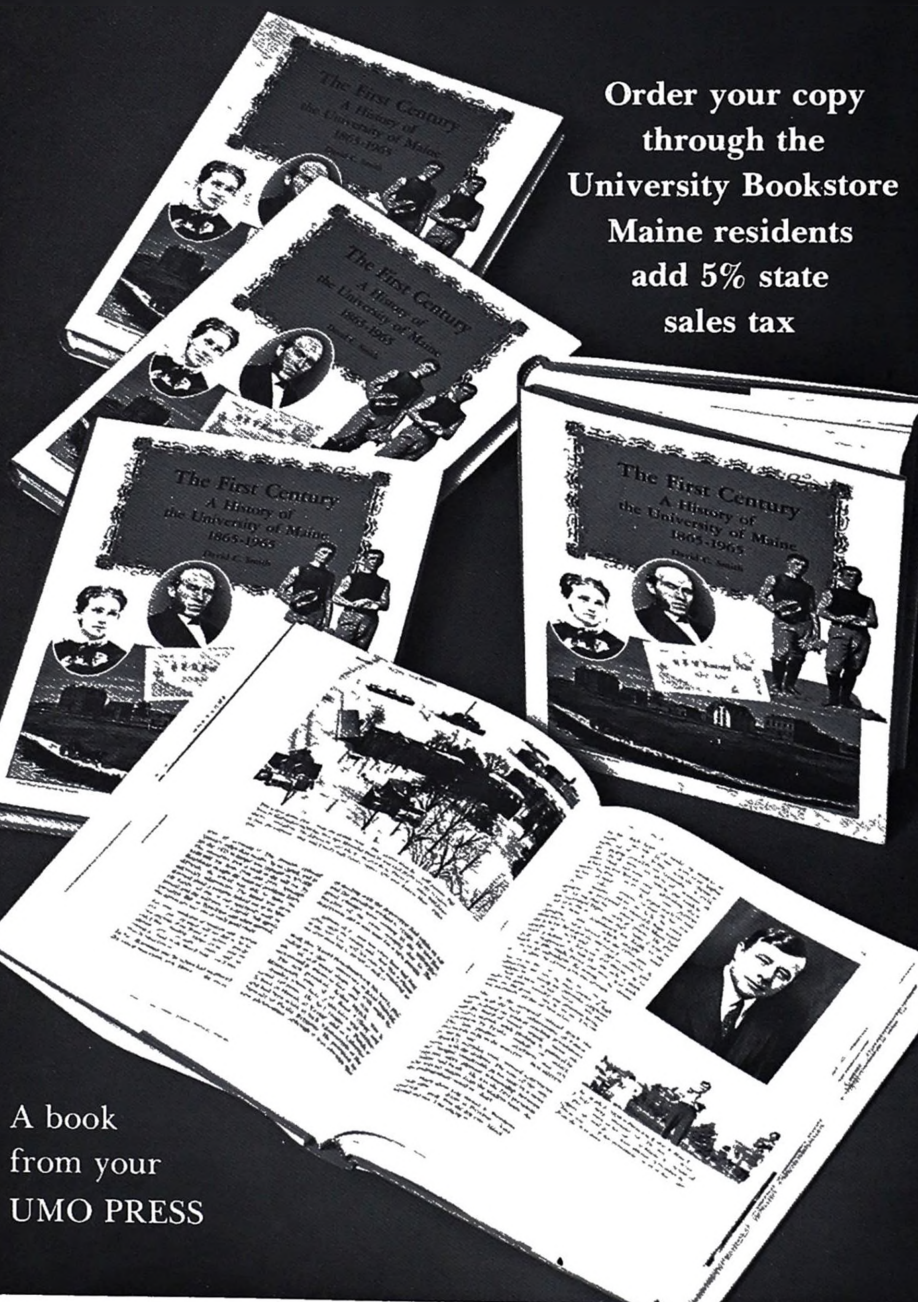
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dean of instruction and its chief academic officer in 1972.

Dean Carlson, who holds the academic rank of professor, will return to the UMO English department where she was a faculty member from 1962 until 1972. "I've enjoyed being dean," Dr. Carlson said, "but I would like to get back to teaching. I have some ideas developed from insights gained as a dean that I want to apply to teaching. I'm not really leaving, just going on to something different."

As a teacher Dean Carlson was awarded the prestigious Distinguished Faculty Award, presented each spring as the result of student selection, for teaching effectiveness, professional and scholarly accomplishments and devotion to education and students. Dean Carlson is the only woman to receive the award in its 16-year history.

During her tenure as BCC dean new programs in liberal studies, dental hygiene and dental assisting have been established. She has just completed a term on the Maine Commission on Women.

## **Giddings Chair Established in Forestry**

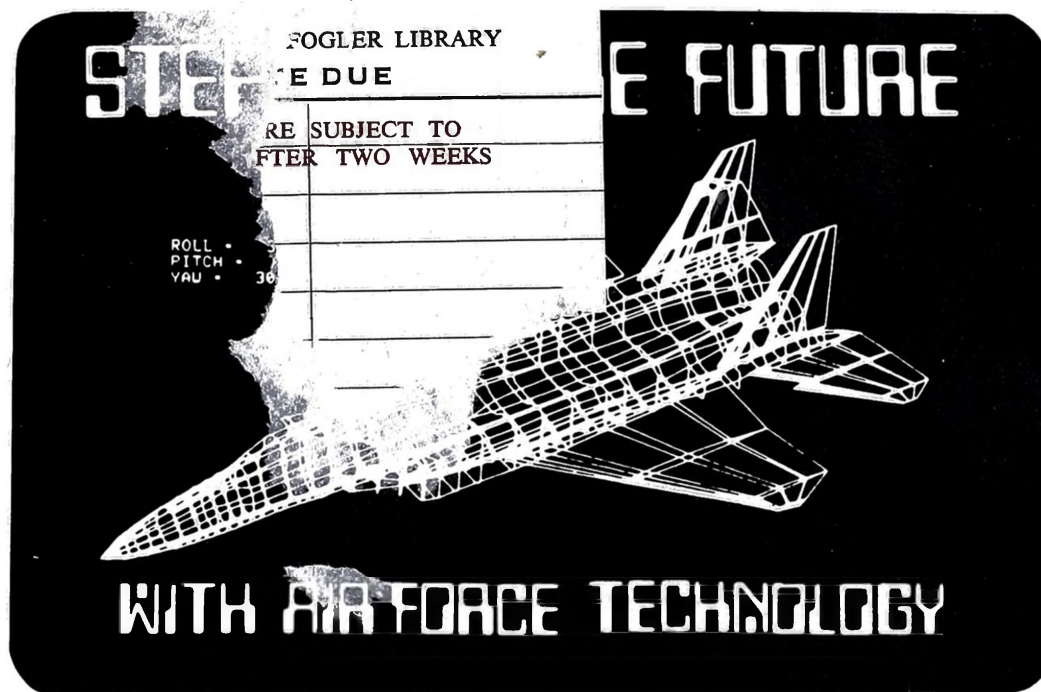
Associate Professor Emeritus Edwin L. Giddings of the School of Forest Resources has been honored by the establishment of a chaired professorship which was made possible by a major gift to the University of Maine Foundation from his wife, Mrs. Mary Louise Giddings of Orono.

The fund set up by Mrs. Giddings' gift will be memorialized as the "Edwin L. Giddings School of Forest Resources Fund," and the holder of the chair will be known as the "Edwin L. Giddings Professor of Forest Management." The principal from the gift will remain intact, with the income being used to support the teaching position.

After first joining the UMO faculty in 1946, Prof. Giddings left the University in 1948 to become a vice president and woodlands manager for the Penobscot Development Company in Old Town. He returned to UMO in 1968 and served as acting director and assistant to the director of the School of Forest Resources.

Mrs. Giddings is the granddaughter of the founder of the G.H. Bass Company of Wilton, a Maine firm which was founded more than one hundred years ago to manufacture log drivers' shoes. In commenting on the gift, she said she was grateful for the opportunity to provide assistance to the School of Forest Resources and noted, "It's wonderful to know that the funds will benefit so many students in the future and will provide the means of attracting highly competent individuals involved in fields so critical to the University and the state."





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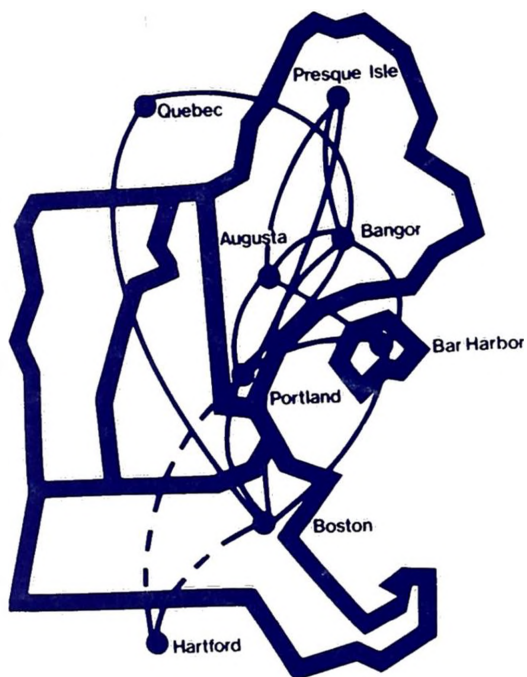
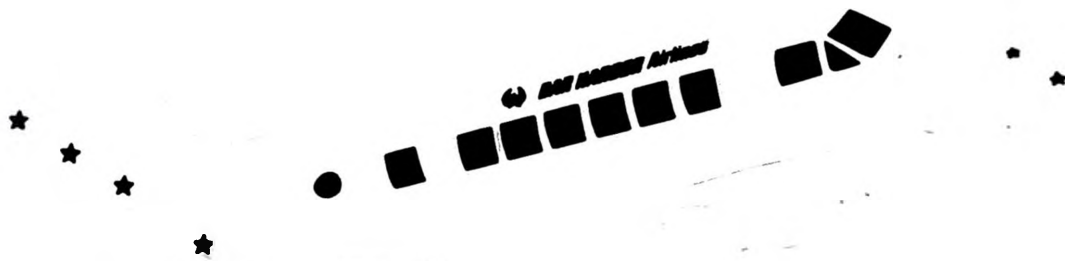
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